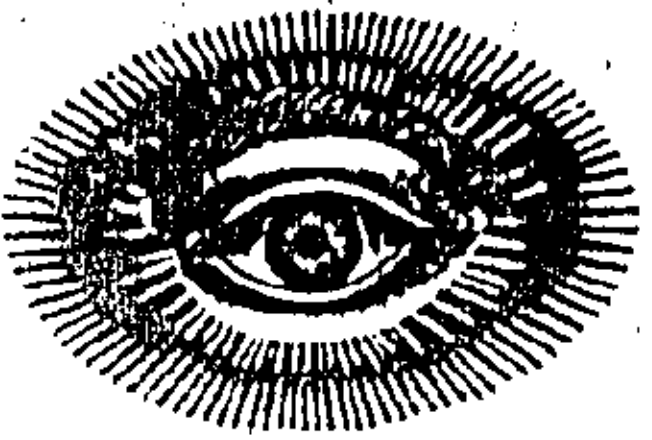


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MORE BRITISH UNITS LEAVE. COLUMN OF 51 TRANSPORT LORRIES.

TRIAL OF 2,000 COMMUNISTS AT CANTON.

REDS GIVING BATTLE.

Yet further British troops have embarked for China, including hospital units, an Air Force squadron, field artillery and mechanical transport of the R. A. S. C., the latter comprising 51 six-wheel motor lorries.

An official announcement from Canton reports that the proscribed Unions are being reorganised with the approval of the Government. The authorities have issued instructions for the protection of foreign life and property, and Chinese police are patrolling Shakes.

The trial of Canton Communists arrested during the recent coup has commenced at a secret Court Martial. They are said to number over 2,000.

Fighting continues against the armed "Red" peasants, 8,000 of whom are said to be concentrating between Sunkai and Yingtak. The authorities in Kwangtung and Kwangsi are co-operating in these punitive measures.

London, April 20. The 12th. Regiment is expected in Canton either to-day or to-morrow.

More troops embarked at Southampton to-day for China, including a General Hospital, No. 2 Army Co-Operation Squadron of the Air Force, two batteries of Field Artillery, and the first entirely mechanical transport company of the Royal Army Service Corps.

The last-named constitutes a column of 51 six-wheel motor lorries.—*Reuter*.

CANTON UNIONS RE-FORMED.

Government Keeps Order.

Canton, April 20. Following the measures against illegitimate unions, eliminating all bad characters, these unions have decided on a general reorganisation, after approval by the Kuomintang Party authorities of the reorganisation plan.

Effective steps are being taken to maintain order, and the general situation is reassuring.

Protection of Foreigners.

Strict orders wired to the district magistrates carry orders for peace preservation and the protection of foreign life and property.

Public organisations have held a demonstration expressing their firm resolution to support the Government's work for the enforcement of the Nationalist decisions.—*Canton Information Bureau*.

COMMUNISTS ON TRIAL.

Over 2,000 Prisoners.

Canton, April 20. The Communists who were arrested during the recent anti-"Red" coup will be examined by a court-martial and then turned over to the People's Court for judgment.

It is understood that this trial is to be the biggest one that has taken place in Canton for some time, as the prisoners number over two thousand.

The court-martial to examine them will include four judges, one appointed by the Army Headquarters, one by the Martial Law Headquarters, one by the Garrison Commander of Canton, and another by the Police Commissioner. The examinations will begin this afternoon, and the proceedings will be kept very secret for the time being.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

ANTI-"RED" CAMPAIGN.

Two Kwangs Combine.

Canton, April 20. It is understood that the two Kwangs (Kwangtung and Kwangsi) are working in co-operation for ridding South China of the "Reds." General Wang Shao-hung, chairman of the Kwangsi Government, is sending his 11th. and 12th. regiments to Canton to help General Li Chai-sum, the Kwangtung Military Chief, to clear up the "Red" remnants in the province.

The 11th. Regiment arrived in Canton from Wuchow late last evening, and was immediately dispatched to the Yueh-nan railway line to participate in operations against the "Red" peasants along the North River.

ISLE OF REFUGE.

FOREIGNERS' FLIGHT AT WENCHOW.

ANTI-BRITISH AGITATION.

Practically mid-way between Foochow and Ningpo lies the city of Wenchow, and the following story by a correspondent of the *Shanghai Times* of the trials of the foreigners there, during the recent disturbed times, tells its own tale of hardship.

Wenchow, April 11. At the end of March it seemed as if Wenchow was again to be free of Southern soldiers. More than 30,000 had passed through the port on their way north. The local Kuomintang asked for a guard of 500 soldiers to remain as they feared the looting of the city by bandits. After an interval of about ten days a large party of agitators who had fled to Ningpo subsequent to the drastic action of the Sz Ling when one Chinese was killed and several wounded, returned to Wenchow and started again to work up anti-British feeling.

The local Kuomintang sent information throughout Chekiang and Kiangsu against Mr. Chang, a former member of the Chekiang Provincial Council who had fled the city when his house was completely destroyed, and demanding that he be arrested as his life was forfeited for his many misdeeds—especially the one for buying land for foreigners.

Feeling Runs High.

Anti-British feeling was increasing in its intensity and, a monster demonstration with lantern procession was arranged for Monday, April 4. A mass meeting at the Government Middle School was to start the proceedings. The Chinese members of the Customs Service demanded a holiday and informed the foreign staff that it would be advisable if they, and their families went to the Island as lives and property were threatened.

Conquest Island is a most picturesque island right in the centre of the river and opposite the main gate of the city. It is about 350 yards long and 150 yards wide and besides temples contains the former H.P.M. Consulate—now belonging to the Customs and occupied by the Harbour Master—and the Constable's house where the Customs examiner lives.

The Island was the place of refuge for foreigners in 1900 when the missionaries and Customs staff till they were taken by steamer to Shanghai.

Refuge On Island.

On the day of the demonstration, all the foreigners were landed on the Island by 2 p.m. with the exception of Doctor of the Methodist Hospital who was delayed an hour to do an operation. The Chinese agent of the Standard Oil Company of New York placed the company's motor boat at the service of the foreigners to take them from the city to the island.

Most inflammatory speeches were made at the mass meeting and at different places en route. The procession was estimated to be at least a mile in length and lasted till midnight. The doctor and two foreign members of the Customs staff then returned to the city as it was necessary to decode a telegram just received. This proved to be a request for a pilot to transport a cruiser that was coming to Wenchow, to evacuate the city of all British. The H.M.S. *Meridian* brought away all women and children.

The only foreigners left in the port are the Commissioner of Customs (Russian), the Assistant (British), the Harbour Master (British), the Examiner (British) and a tide waiter (British) in the Customs service, the doctor, (British), the Catholic Fathers (French) and the Sisters of Charity (French and one British). The doctor is still managing to keep things going at the Methodist Hospital but fears he will not be allowed to do so much longer.

Doctor Stoned.

The local Labour Bureau has established its headquarters in the C.I.M. compound and is using the mission houses. The French doctor who arrived a few months ago in Wenchow to

SEQUEL TO CANTON COUP.

"REDS" MAKING HURRIED DEPARTURES.

WATCHFUL F.E.E. LOCALLY.

Since General Li Chai-sum's successful anti-Communist coup in Canton, the local authorities have been keeping a watchful eye on arrivals from the Kwangtung capital.

Said to be a student of the Canton Law College, and forced to leave by recent happenings, a young Chinese was arrested on landing from the Fatahan yesterday.

In his possession were a number of leaflets, anti-British and anti-foreign in their nature, containing caricatures and seditious writing.

The youth, who was stated to be making his way to Swatow, was formally charged this morning and remanded.

Kan Kum-shuk Leaves Canton.

There were rumours in the air yesterday that Mr. Kan Kum-shuk, one of the two merchants who visited Hongkong in 1925 with the boycott and strike mediators, had been arrested and detained for deportation by the local authorities.

Kan Kum-shuk is known to be a strong supporter of the Communist Party, and to have left Canton in a hurry as a result of the coup.

It has now been established that the local Police refrained from action on the understanding the Kam Kum-shuk left the Colony immediately. He transferred to the Empress of Russia, and left for Shanghai yesterday.

KHIVA MAZING PORT.

BOWS BADLY STOVE IN.

Shanghai, April 21. The latest news from P. and O. steamer Khiva, which went aground yesterday morning in Steep Island Pass, off Shanghai, is that her bows are badly stove in but that the vessel is not badly out of trim. She is down about three feet at the bow.

The water is not gaining and the No. 2 hold is still dry, but there is a severe strain on No. 2 bulkhead.

Salvage Tugs arrived alongside at 6.30 this morning and are conveying the Khiva to Shanghai, where she is expected to arrive this evening.—*Reuter*.

RAINSTORMS IN U. S.

MANY LIVES LOST.

New York, April 20. Unprecedented rainstorms have caused the Mississippi to overflow or break down its embankments in several places all the way from St. Louis to New Orleans, resulting in 25,000 persons being temporarily rendered homeless.

The aggregate death-roll is 100, mostly Negroes, and includes fatalities at Illinois, as reported in an earlier cable from Carrollton.

There has been considerable destruction and damage to farmland.—*Reuter's American Service*.

RE-NAMING BRITISH ARTILLERY.

HONGKONG UNIT TO BE MOUNTAIN BATTERY.

London, April 20. The War Office announces alterations in the nomenclature of certain Royal Artillery units, to take effect from May 1.

These include the British Pack Brigade and Pack Batteries, to be designated the Light Brigades.

No. 1 (Hongkong-Singapore) Pack Battery is designated No. 1 (Hongkong-Singapore) Mountain Battery.—*Reuter*.

work partly in connexion with the large Catholic hospital has been very harshly treated by the Kuomintang. His house and the streets between his house and the hospital have been placarded with scurrilous posters and several times on his way to and from the hospital, he was stoned in the streets. He finally made his escape on a Japanese boat and we expect he is now in Shanghai.

MR. CHEN ARGUES.

TEXT OF REPLY TO AMERICA.

NANKING NOTE QUERIED.

The following is the full text of Mr. Eugene Chen's reply to the American Note on the Nanking affair:

"The Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Nationalist Government is in receipt of the American Government's Note, dated April 11th, formulating terms for a prompt settlement of the situation created by the outrages against American nationals committed by Nationalist troops at Nanking on March 24th."

"In reply to the American Government's demands for 'complete reparation for the persons injured and material damage done' the Nationalist Government is prepared to make good all damage done to the American Consulate at Nanking on the ground whether or not such damage was caused by Northern rebels or others as stated in the preliminary statement issued by the Nationalist Government on March 31st, the fact remains that the American Consulate in Chinese territory was violated."

Reparations.

Regarding the matter of reparations for the personal injuries of American nationals and other material damage done, the Nationalist Government is prepared to make all reasonable and necessary reparation except in cases where it can be definitely proved that the same were caused by the British and American naval bombardment of March 24th or by Northern rebels as agents provocateurs."

The demands for adequate punishment of the commanders of troops responsible for the murder, personal injuries, indignities and material damage done, as also all persons found implicated, necessarily assumes the guilt of the Nationalist forces who captured Nanking; while this guilt is contradicted in my preliminary statement issued on March 31st.

A rigid Government enquiry is being conducted to ascertain the exact facts of the case, including verification of the outstanding facts reported to the Military Council by General Cheng Chien, who took Nanking, that his forces rounded up and captured approximately thirty thousand Northern soldiers with rifles, besides thousands of camp-followers inside the city. General Cheng Chien has also reported that a number of those implicated have already been executed.

International Commission.

The Nationalist Government proposes that the question of punishment should await the finding of the Government enquiry presently in progress or of an International Commission of enquiry to be immediately instituted by the United States Government. As the Laws of Nations and the recognized practice of civilized States prohibit the bombardment of cities or territories of friendly States, the Nationalist Government proposes that the Commission of enquiry also investigate the circumstances of the bombardment of the unfortified city of Nanking by the naval forces of the United States on March 24th last.

The demands for an apology in writing from the Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist Army, including a "written undertaking to refrain from violence against foreign lives and property" is, as far as an apology is concerned, justified on proof of Nationalist guilt for the Nanking disturbances. The Nationalist Government therefore proposes that the question of apology should also await the determination of the question of guilt either by the Government enquiry at present in progress or by the proposed International Commission. Meantime, the Nationalist Government repeats its expression of regret, which the Minister of Foreign Affairs communicated to the United States Government directly it was reported to him that the United States Consulate had been violated.

Protection.

The Nationalist Government as a responsible governing body do not countenance the use in any form of violence or agitation against foreign lives and property; indeed, the protection of foreign lives and property has been repeatedly declared to be the settled policy of the Government.

GHASTLY AFFAIR IN MEXICO.

BANDITS BURN WHOLE TRAIN.

PASSENGERS SLAUGHTERED.

Mexico City, April 20.

One of the worst bandit outrages in Mexico's stormy history occurred at Limon, in the State of Jalisco, when it is believed 170 train passengers and an escort of 17 soldiers were slaughtered or burnt to death by outlaws.

After derailing the engine and butchering the escort, the bandits locked the passengers in the coaches, which they then soaked with petrol and kerosene, and set on fire. They shot their victims as they attempted to escape from the blazing wreck.

The entire train is reported to have been destroyed, and it is unknown if any passenger survived.

—*Reuter's American Service*—

[The place where this ghastly outrage occurred is in the area shown in the map on Page 12, and lies on the line running from Manzanillo to Guadalajara. This part of Mexico has long been notorious for the bloodthirsty deeds of its roaming bodies of bandits, the previous worst outrage in recent times occurring near Yurucuar, when brigands looted the town and held up a train on which more than a score of the passengers were slaughtered.]

CANADIAN RAILWAY DISASTER.

SEVEN PEOPLE KILLED.

Toronto, April 20. Seven persons were killed in the derailment of a goods train 55 miles west of Hornepayne, Ontario, including three Englishmen, named Garnett, Bull and Captain Lidington.

The last-named employed the other two, and was in charge of wagons containing 40 racehorses from England for purchasers at Winnipeg and Vancouver.

Thirty-eight of the horses were killed when the wagons overturned.—*Reuter's American Service*.

AIR CRASH INQUEST.

DUE TO ERROR OF JUDGMENT.

London, April 20. A verdict of accidental death was returned at the inquest at Eastchurch on the victims of the crash yesterday.—Flying Officer William Kelly, Pilot Officer John Dowdswell, Flight Sergeant Alderton, and Aircraftman Daniels.

The machine was a two-engine Vickers Virginia, and had just arrived from Manston aerodrome.

A Pilot Officer testified that the machine was taking off again when it struck the wing of a stationary aeroplane, possibly owing to an error of judgment.—*Reuter*.

STOP PRESS.

GROWING CONCERN IN HANKOW.

Hankow, April 20. The exodus of wealthy Chinese continues, and the air of uneasiness is becoming more pronounced. For some unknown reason a financial panic seems likely to eventuate.

Coolies are beginning food looting raids in the native city.

Wuhu, April 20. Intermittent rifle fire has been going on all day across the river.

Nanking, April 20.

The cross-river engagement between the rival forces is lessening in intensity. Rifle fire has been much reduced, though a certain amount of gunfire continues. Large fires broke out to-day at Pukow and Hsin-kwan.—*Naval Wireless*.

HUGE "RED" ARMY.

RUSSIA'S MILLION SOLDIERS.

POISON GAS A SPECIALTY.

Russia continues to occupy public attention here, writes a London correspondent, not merely because of its propagandist activity, but also because of its military preparations. In the House of Commons, in reply to a question on the subject, the Minister of War recently gave the following information:

"The standing army of Russia numbers nearly 650,000 men, and if the Territorial Militia is included, over 1,000,000, while the Reserves number over 3,000,000 in addition. The strength of these forces has shown a slight increase during the past year."

No indication, of course, has been given as to the uses which are likely to be made of such an army, but it is being prepared for emergencies and there are only three openings in which such a force could be employed—firstly against the small republic upon the North-West frontier, secondly against Rumania, and thirdly against China, where at the present time Bolshevik activity is very pronounced.

Poison Gas Manufacture.

In reply to another question relating to Russia the Minister stated:

"His Majesty's Government have information that the study of gas warfare is being actively pursued in Soviet Russia. Numerous factories have been set up and are in course of erection, which are or will be capable of poison-gas production on a very considerable scale. It is not considered that any useful purpose would be served by detailing the number and location of such factories or by indicating their present and potential output, but there is no doubt that the Soviet military authorities are actively studying this type of warfare and making preparations on a large scale for its possible eventual use. Much greater preparations are being made in Russia than anywhere else."

Over here Red activity is still very noticeable, but the Government thinks that it would be impolitic at the present time to break off diplomatic relations. Most people think, however, we are heading towards trouble.

Dark Picture of Soviet Rule.

The *Daily News* has contained a very interesting article written by a correspondent who lived in Russia throughout the winter, from which I take the following few salient extracts:

"That Government preaches economy, hard work and increased production. Such things are certainly progressing, but at a dangerously slow rate."

"The financial position is stronger than a year ago, but would not stand the strain of a minor war."

"The authorities claim to have forced down retail prices three per cent. since the New Year, and promise 10 per cent. by the beginning of June. But even then, for everything except the coarsest kinds of food, prices will still be nearly double those of London and much more than that in terms of wages."

"There has been nothing in the way of spectacular opposition to the Soviet Government, although there is steady anti-Communist, but not anti-Government, pressure on the part of the peasant masses."

Terrible Decline of Morals.

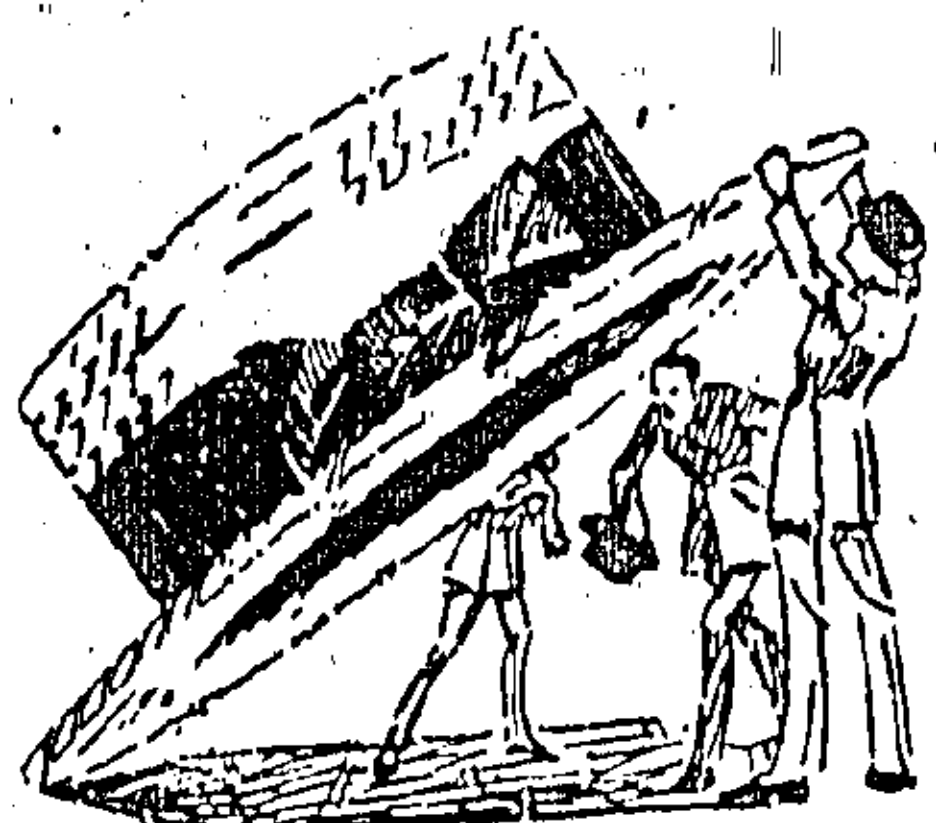
"Among deplorable features in the condition of the people are the numbers of homeless children, the prevalence of hoolliganism, the violation of women, hideous murders for trifling sums of money, and widespread drunkenness."

"The bourgeoisie is broken, and only expresses its discontent by political riddles and anti-Semitic jokes."

"The people are being educated to the idea of a slow industrial development, with a correspondingly slow improvement in living."

"They are subject to an intensive propaganda of class pride, hope, and hate, directed mainly against the foreigners (capitalist)."

"In any case, the mass of the urban workers are semi-peasants." (Continued on Page 14.)



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METHODIST RALLY.

150 GATHER AT WANCHAI
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A suggestion emanating from the Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey, the Resident Minister and Chaplain, for a means of bringing Hongkong Wesleyans together at the Wanchai Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, the only chapel of that denomination in Hongkong, bore fruit yesterday, when over 150 people, including Service men, attended what was called a "Great Methodist Rally" in the Church yesterday evening.

An excellent tea was provided, for which many assisted with the catering, after which a public meeting was held, when an interesting address was given by the Rev. Edgar Dewstoe, chairman of the South China District. The promoter, the Rev. Knight Anstey presided.

The arrangements were in the hands of a capable Social Committee, composed of Messrs. S. Hamer, A. Kirk, and A. Glenville. Mr. J. H. Gelling was in charge of the advertising.

Included in the programme were solos, "Open the Gates of the Temple" by Mrs. C. W. Bone, and "Lord God of Abraham" by Mr. A. P. Glenville. Community singing of old Methodist hymns, which was a popular feature was led by Mr. Glover.

During the evening, greetings from Methodist overseas were read by the chairman from the Rev. W. Russell Maltby, D. D., President of the Wesleyan Methodist Conference, the Rev. H. Smith, President of the United Methodist Church, Mr. R. Brimelow, President of the Independent Methodist Churches, Bishop Luther B. Wilson, Methodist Episcopal Church of America, Bishop E. G. Richardson, Secretary of the Board of Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Atlanta, and the Rev. John G. Wheen, President of the Methodist Church of Australia.

The First Church.

The Rev. Edgar Dewstoe, in his opening remarks, referred to the large attendance. He had, he said, just returned from Home, and it was a pleasure to see so many well known and friendly faces, people who had been associated with Wanchai for many years. He was also glad to see many new faces among the congregation.

He first came to China thirty years ago, when the present church in Hongkong was much smaller. At the first service he attended there were many Service men present, one of whom had been brave enough to bring his fox terrier along. The dog however, found a rat and a merry chase ensued around the church. Service men stood in the door to prevent the rat from escaping, (laughter) and it was eventually caught. That was his first experience in their church except for the fact that he was married there. (laughter).

When at Home people asked him, "Where did you meet your wife?" to which question the correct answer was, "She overtook me." (laughter). Many of his happiest memories were associated with the church, and it was encouraging to note those who had stood by the place so well during very difficult years.

Referring to questions among Wesleyans at Home, he spoke of women ministers. "Personally," he added, "I should welcome women ministers as colleagues of mine." Referring to the question of a Union of Methodists he said he thought that all Methodists in their hearts knew there ought to be and there would be in its own good time a Union of Methodists parties. It was coming as surely as the tides were rolling in.

Modern Tendencies.

Referring to modern tendencies, he continued that in spite of the hard times and industrial crises

they would find that every place of entertainment was crowded to the doors. There was also the class warfare about which so much bitterness was shown among parties of their own country.

People, young and old, at the present time, were waiting as they had waited since the days of Wesley, for a strong, spiritual note which would give them something new. They were restless because they had not found that for which their souls were seeking. "You and I have," he added, "or we ought to have a message for our people at Home."

After referring to China troubles, and speaking specially to the Service men present, he said it in the face of Chinese opposition they had to take a certain stand, they would not go far wrong if they kept their Methodist life and strength always before their eyes.

Concluding he said the characteristic note of Methodism was experience, Christian experience, living experience, of Jesus Christ. They had a message of love and good, not only for themselves but for the Chinese and the whole of the world. As Methodists they must stand for that in their life in Hongkong.

The First Chapel.

There was on view an interesting picture of the first Methodist Chapel. This was called "The Foundry," and was acquired for the use of Methodists in 1739. The building was the King's Foundry, Moorfields, London, previously used as a place where Government cannons were cast. It stood in the locality of Windmill Hill, now known as Windmill Street, a street which runs parallel with City Road and abuts the North West corner of Tinsbury Square.

The first building actually erected by Methodists for their own use was the chapel on premises known as Orphan House, in Newcastle-on-Tyne, and was opened for use on March 26th, 1745.

Also on view was a very valuable first edition of "Wesley's Note" on the New Testament.

Before each hymn, the chairman read out a short and interesting account of its origin, and some of the tunes sung dated back to the year 1600.

Caterers.

The following assisted with the catering:—Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Makeham, Mrs. Hamer, Mrs. Ling, Mrs. Farrar, Mrs. Dransfield, Mrs. Bundock, Mrs. Anstey, Mrs. Gelling, Mrs. Sara, Mrs. Glenville, Miss Hinton, Miss Hanson, Miss Bolton, and the Misses Dransfield, with Corporal Lloyd and a small party of Service men. Gifts were received from Mrs. Wattie, Mrs. Brooksbank and Mrs. White.

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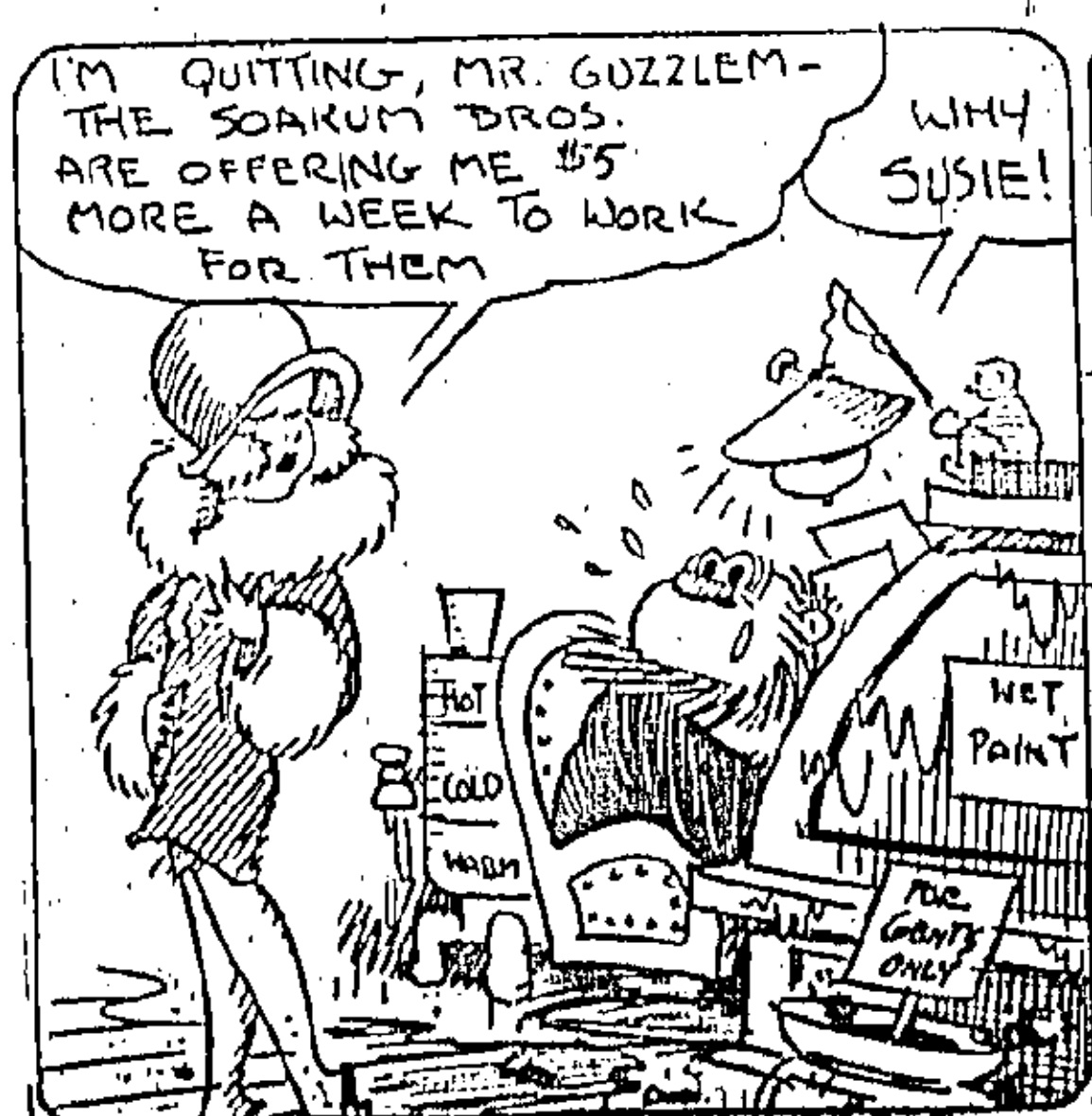
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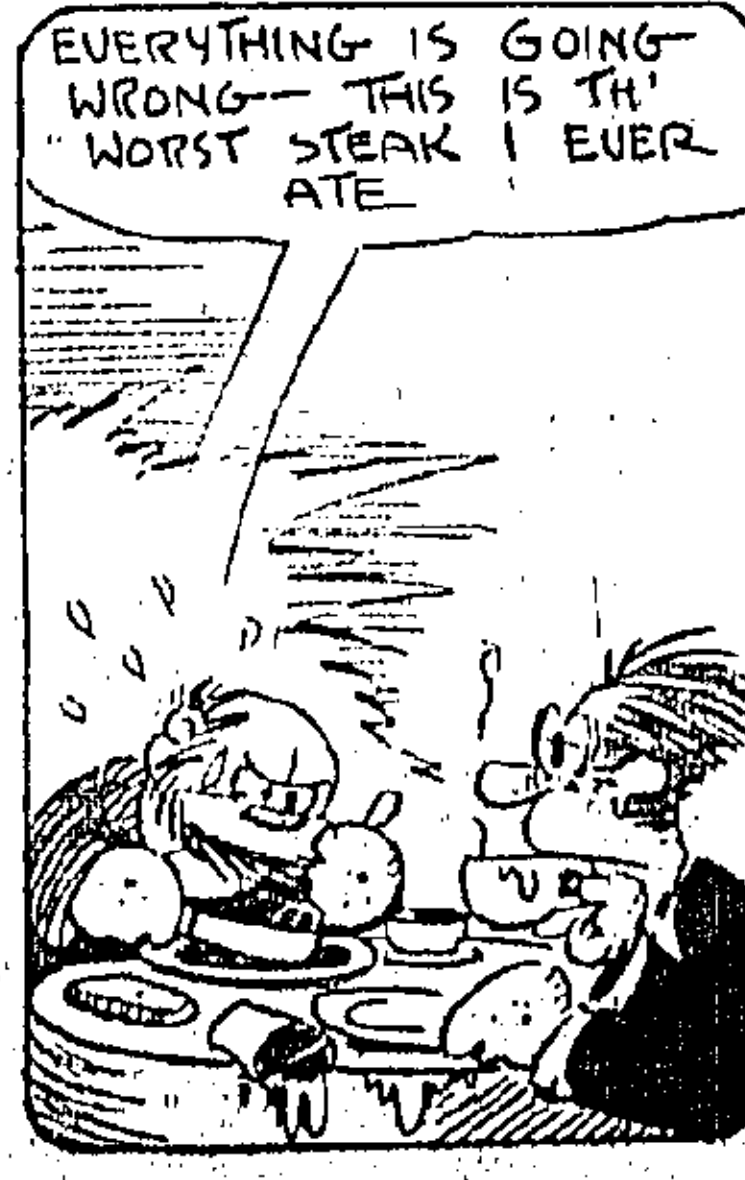
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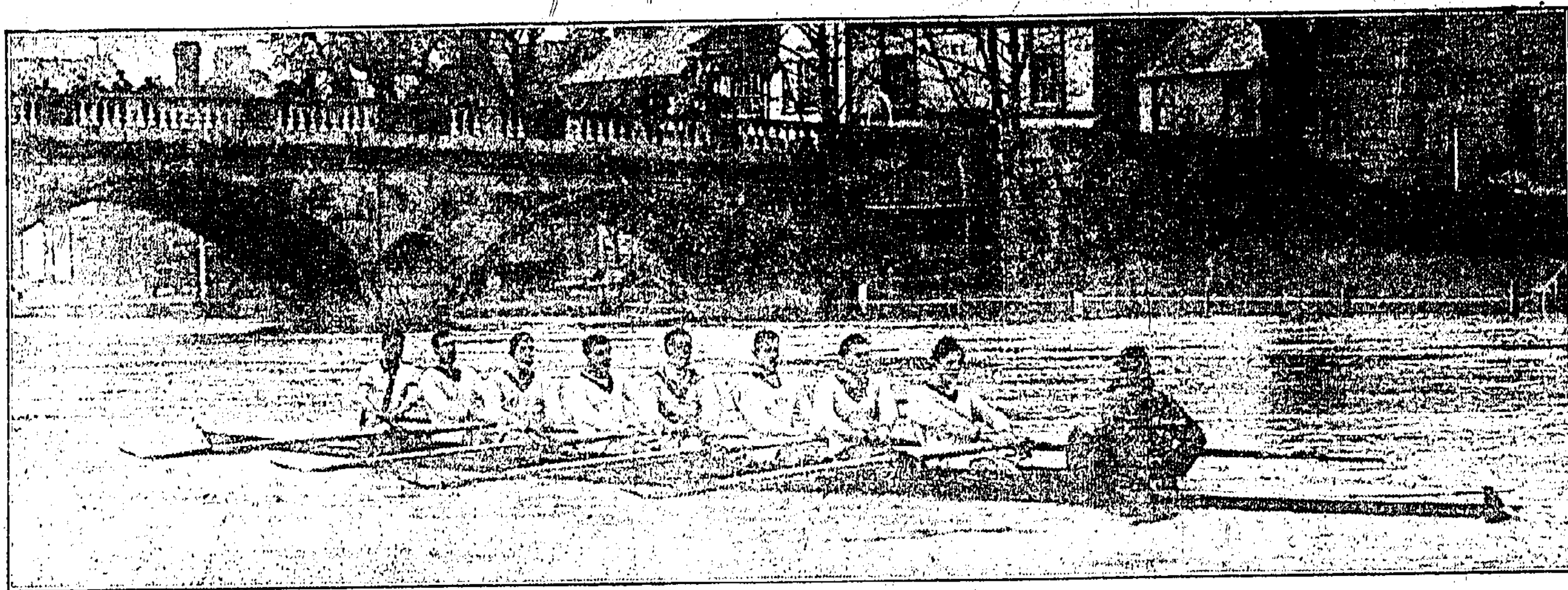


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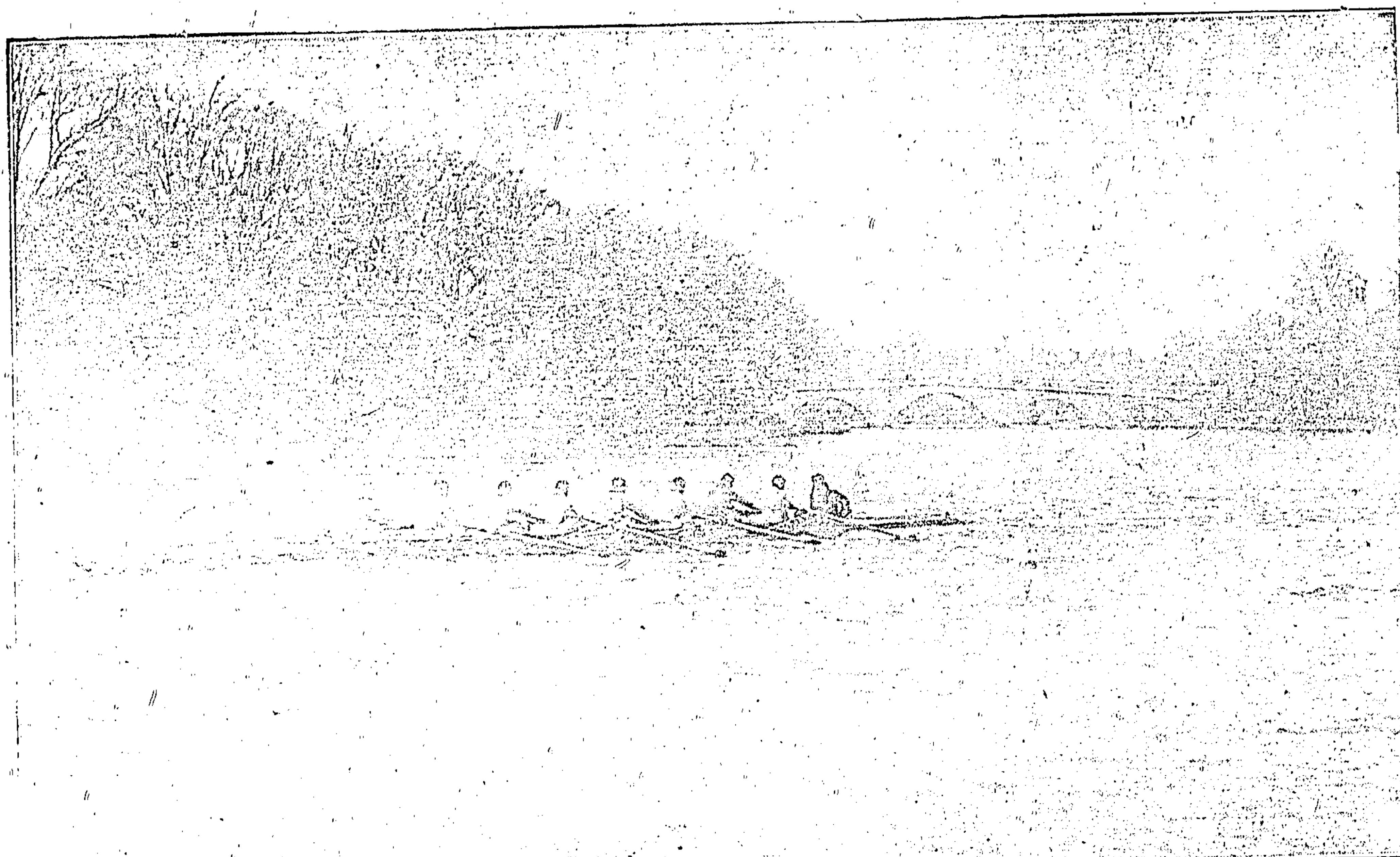


By Swan

THE 'VARSITY CREWS BEFORE THE RACE.



OXFORD CREW AT HENLEY. A photograph of The Oxford University boat race crew taken at Henley during their practices for the Boat Race, in which they lost to Cambridge. (Times copyright.)

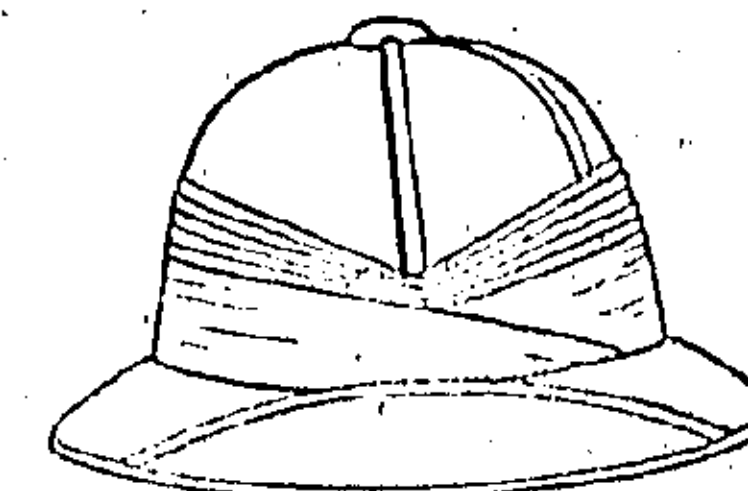


CAMBRIDGE CREW AT RICHMOND.—A photograph of the victorious Cambridge University boat race crew taken at Richmond during their training for the race. (Times copyright.)



BEAUFORT POINT-TO-POINT.—The field taking the first fence in the Beaufort Cup at the Duke of Beaufort's Hunt Point-to-Point Races at Lower Station, near Chippenham, Wiltshire. The winner, Mr. G. W. Pennington's Nothing New, is seen on the left; Mr. G. Stoke's White Light, which was second, is on the right. (Times copyright.)

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND UNDERWRITERS.

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s.s. "SCOTLAND MARU."

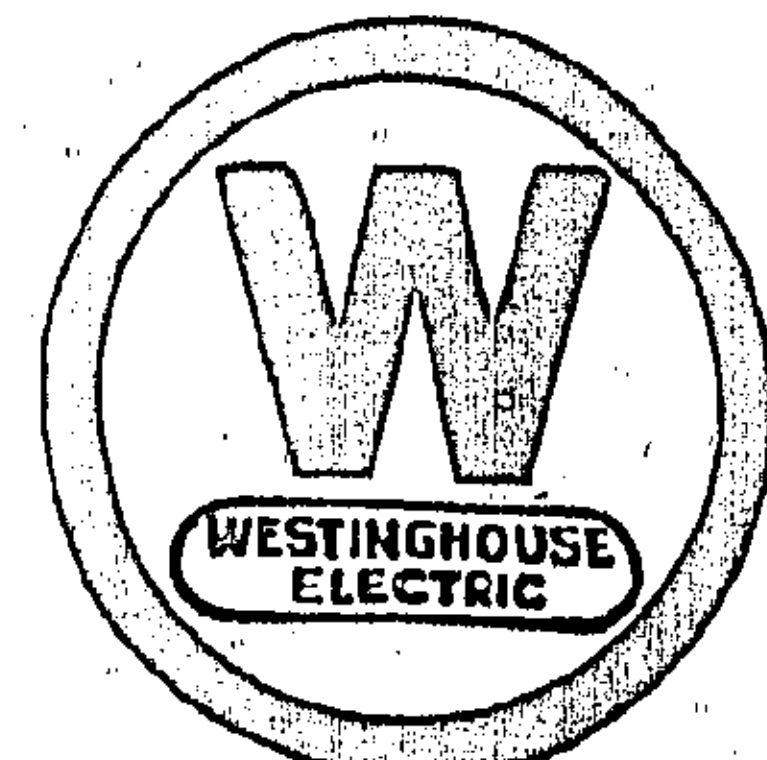
It is hereby notified that s.s. "Scotland Maru" grounded off Tathong Point on 12th instant owing to dense fog, but soon floated under her own power. As, however, water was coming into Nos. 1, 2 holds and across Bunker, the steamer voluntarily beached at Kowloon Bay, and this incident has been declared to form General Average. The cargo destined to Hongkong has been discharged into and is stored in the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s Godowns at owner's risk and will be delivered to consignees against their signature the General Average Bond at our office, as well as filing with us their Letter of Guarantee endorsed by underwriters agreeing to pay deposit towards G/A contributions, as soon as the percentage of such deposit is fixed.

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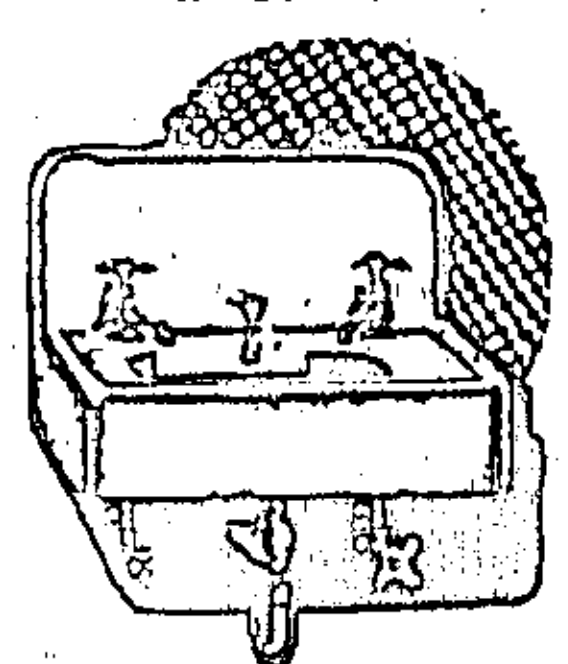
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GOLD FIND IN LONDON.

A ROMAN PIN, AND POTTERY.

Interesting discoveries have just been made in the City of London of Roman pottery believed to date from the first century and of a gold pin of the Roman period.

Reconstruction is being carried on in Founders-court, Lothbury, E.C., close to the Bank of England, under the supervision of Major Douglas Wood, a former Housing Commissioner of the Ministry of Health. To reach solid foundations it has been necessary to dig below the course of the River Walbrook. Here a Roman paving was discovered and the pottery.

The finds come from various deep cuttings made for underpinning purposes. The Roman tessellated pavement was at a general depth of some 20ft. beneath the modern ground level.

The pavement itself is a somewhat rough piece of workmanship, and probably did not belong to a building of any pretensions. It may have been the paving of a riverside yard or quay adjoining the Walbrook.

It is not level, but lies at a fairly sharp incline. It is possible that this is due to the slipping of the marshy foundations. On the other hand, there was no sign of fracture; the part exposed and removed showed only comparatively minor cracks, and the pavement as a whole was intact. It is therefore suggested that, for some reason, it was designedly laid out on an inclined plane.

Potter's Mark. Above and below the pavement was found much pottery of the

Roman period. So far more than 20 fragments of the famous red Gallic or "Samian" ware have come to light, one or two of large size, some very small, and including both the decorated and plain fabrics. So far as a first examination goes, most of it is of the first century and the first half of the second.

One potter's mark only has so far been found, and unfortunately it is almost illegible.

Together with the Gallic ware has been found a number of fragments of the coarse grey and black pottery found throughout England on Roman sites, and some pieces of thin grey ware with a black glazed surface.

Hairpin or Brooch?

The most interesting find is perhaps a gold pin, or similar object. It is just just over five and a half inches long. The gold has been mixed with an alloy in order to stiffen it. The object resembles nothing so much as a pack-needle, and the likeness is strengthened by the appearance of one end of what at first sight seems a broken eye! It has more probably some connexion with a rivet which fastened on appendage to it. It has been suggested that it may be:

(1) A gold hairpin with originally a decorated head which has vanished.

(2) The pin of a brooch.

(3) The handle of a small spoon or spatula used for toilet purposes.

The object, whatever its purpose, is certainly of gold, and finds of golden objects are rare in the Roman levels of London.

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Letters and postcards only for the United Kingdom and Europe will be forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

The Radio Telegraph Service between Hongkong and Swatow has been resumed and telegrams for Swatow are now accepted under the same conditions and at the same rates as for Canton.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Australia and Manila	Mishima Maru	April 21.
Japan	Ald Maru	April 22.
Europe via Negapatam (letters and papers London 24th March)	Santhia	April 22.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Katori Maru	April 22.
Shanghai	Sochow	April 23.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Adams	April 25.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Jefferson	April 25.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Shinyo Maru	April 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Amazona	April 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Malwa	April 26.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Asia	April 29.
Straits	Suwa Maru	May 1.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Chung On	Thurs. Apr. 21, 4 p.m.
Saigon	Confucius	Thurs. Apr. 21, 6 p.m.
Hoihow and Bangkok	Alexander Kielland	Thurs. Apr. 21, 5 p.m.
Japan	Mishima Maru	Fri., Apr. 22, 9.30 a.m.
Batavia	Tjisaraen	Fri., Apr. 22, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Shantung	Fri., Apr. 22, 6 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Aki Maru	Sat., April 23, Registration 8.30 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island 5th May).

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Katori Maru	Sat., Apr. 23, Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 22nd May).
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Straits, Lourenco Marques and South Africa	Kanagawa Maru	Sat., Apr. 23, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hainan	Sat., Apr. 23, noon.
Weihaiwei	Menado Maru	Sat., Apr. 23, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Luchow	Sat., Apr. 23, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., Apr. 24, 9 a.m.
Straits and Cebu	Suisang	Mon., Apr. 25, Parcels noon Letters 1 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Pres. McKinley	Mon., Apr. 25, Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due San Francisco, 19th May).
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Manila	Pres. Adams	Mon., Apr. 25, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Menado Maru	Tues., Apr. 26, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Taikwa Maru	Tues., Apr. 26, 8.30 a.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Amazona	Tues., Apr. 26, Registration 12.45 p.m. Letters 1.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 28th May).

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hainan	Tues., Apr. 26, noon
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	Tues., Apr. 26, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Leesang	Tues., Apr. 26, 5 p.m.
Japan	Anjo Maru	Thurs., Apr. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hinsang	Thurs., Apr. 28, 1.30 p.m.
Sandakan	Haining	Fri., Apr. 29, 1 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Parcels	April 29, 5 p.m. Sat., April 30, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles May 27).
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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Hector	Wed., May 4, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 1st June).
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Shanghai and Japan	Suwa Maru	Mon., May 2, 10.30 a.m. *Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.
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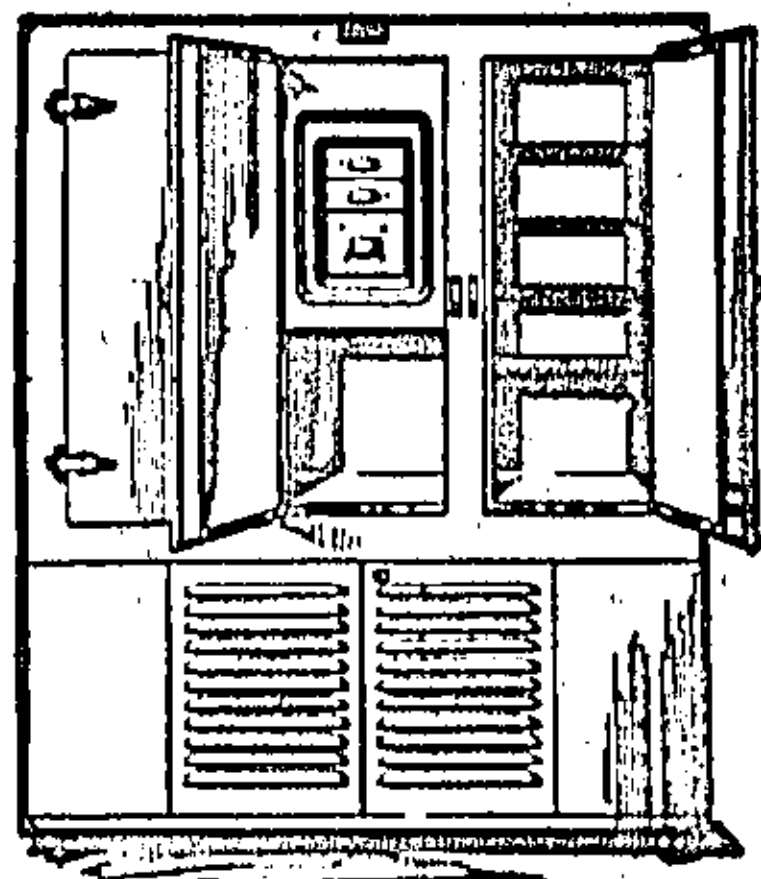
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TREVESSA TROPHY.

TJISOROE WINS FOR SECOND YEAR.

The seventh bi-annual race for the Trevesa Trophy for ships' lifeboats was held yesterday afternoon, attracting an entry of nine and was won after a gruelling contest by the Tjisoroea for the second year in succession, all these finishing, coming in under the hour.

The course was—Start from Channel Rocks, thence to Kowloon Rock (P), Mark of Yacht Club (S), Cuckoo Rock Gas Buoy (P), finish at the Yacht Club across the line from West to East.

The entrants were two from Tjisoroea, two from H. M. Transport Assaye and one each from Hamsang, Kwangchow, Chekiang, Kungchow and Tyndarus, the last being a whaler, which did not strictly comply with the rules, but was entered by three officers who made a sporting attempt, despite the great probability of a disqualification in the event of winning. There was no Douglas line vessel in harbour to enter a candidate.

The Assaye also had a boat on the scene, manned by a "fanny party," garbed in picturesque pirate rig, with the "body" of their captain strung up at the yard arm, while the skull and cross bones floated astern. The craft was named s.s. Bias Bay and created a great deal of amusement.

A Good Start.
With a practically slack water and no wind, a good start was made at 4.02.35 and immediately the two J. C. J. L. boats went ahead, with the two Assaye's hanging close to them. These four made good progress during the first half mile. The three men of the Tyndarus brought up the rear with the boat from Kungchow.

At the turn off the Yacht Club, there was even less between the boats, with the leader falling back and the Assaye boat passing into second place when she got her sail spread, to take advantage of the favouring breeze that then sprang up. Supporting boats were cheering on their respective candidates and burst of crackers from the steam launch Tji signalled the joy of the Dutch contingent at their boat's leadership.

A Certain Winner.
By the time Cuckoo Rock was turned the Tjisoroea boat was a certain winner, barring accidents, and with an astonishing reserve, the crew bent to their work and pushed the boat home at a good pace which lengthened the distance between her and the first Assaye, which had won a safe lead from the second Tjisoroea. They came home in this order, with the Hamsang, after having made a serious bid prior to turning the mark buoy and subsequently dropping back, taking fourth place. Following are detailed results.

The Details.	Time	Home	Actual Time
Tjisoroea (Mr. Gohar)	4.04.10	0.51.55	
Assaye (Mr. Chaplain)	4.06.20	0.52.45	
Tjisoroea (Mr. Glavin)	4.06.45	0.53.00	
Hamsang (Mr. Limway)	4.06.35	0.54.03	
Assaye (Mr. Williams)	5.00.40	0.58.05	
Kwangchow (Mr. Jones)	5.01.21	0.58.46	
Chekiang (Mr. Cook)	5.02.30	0.59.34	
Tyndarus (Mr. Howe)	5.02.30	0.59.34	
Hamsang (Mr. Hui)	5.02.30	0.59.34	

The attendant "bar" boat of the J. C. J. L. quickly ranged alongside the winners as they crossed the line, and passed out solid and liquid refreshment and the crews made merry.

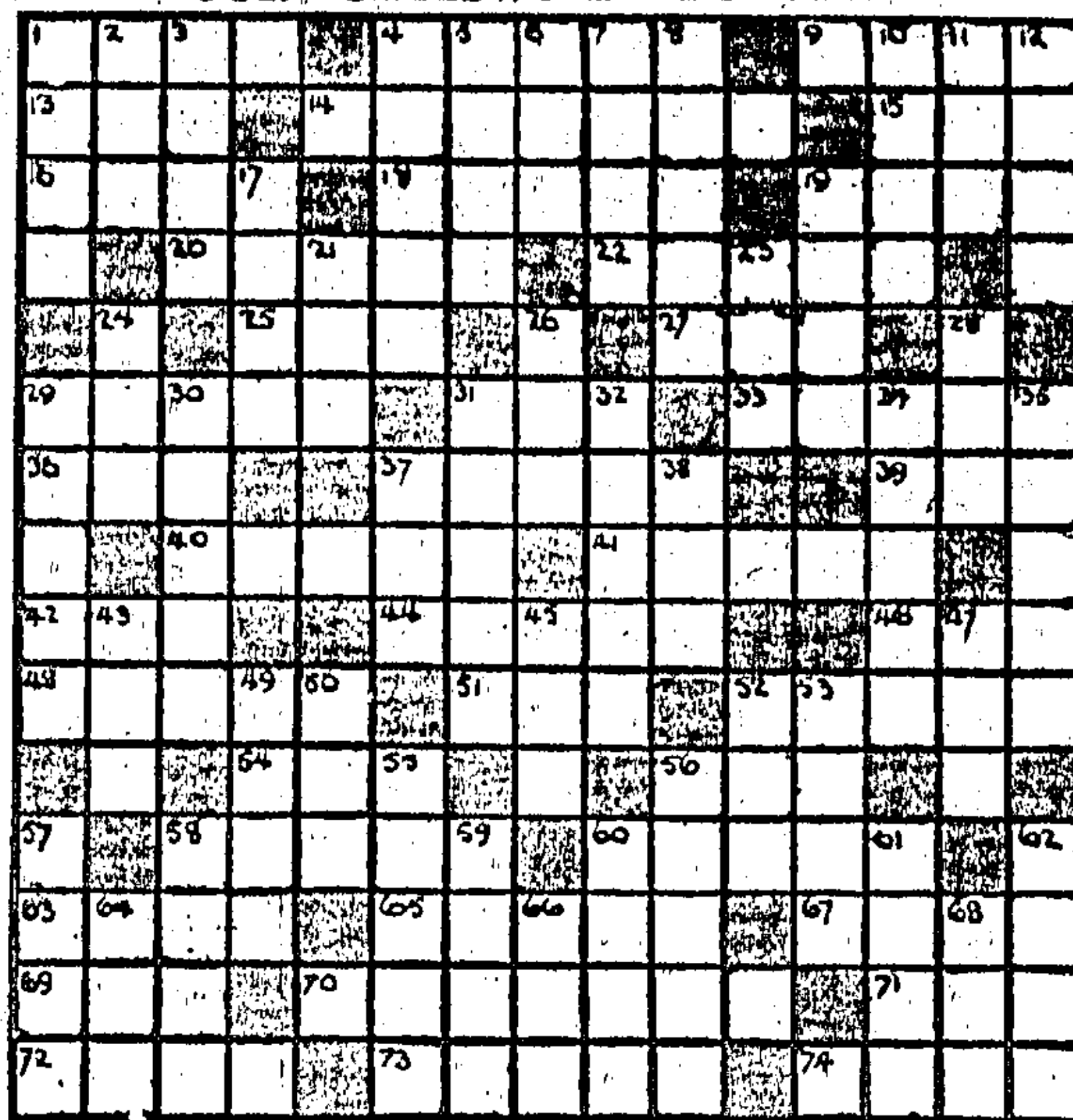
At the Club.
At the subsequent celebrations at the Yacht Club, the needs of the piratical inner man was also catered for, and the evening ended happily for all contestants.

The presentation of the trophy was made by Mr. Quarles van Ufford, agent of the J. C. J. Line in Hongkong, by Captain Davison, and a cup was also handed to the officer in charge of the winning crew.

Making the presentation, Captain Davison, the Rear-Commander of the Club, expressed regret at the unavoidable absence of the Vice-Commander, Mr. Shields. It gave him great pleasure, he said, to once more hand the cup over to Mr. Ufford as the representative of the winning company. It had been a hard race and without wind, doubly hard, the whole course having to be pulled and he had no doubt the best boat had won. It was a good boat, excellently manned, and kept in excellent condition, with every piece of furniture in its correct place.

He hoped that the winning crew would compete many more times, even if they did not win as they had won both last year and this year. He also felt that it was fitting to put in a good word for the Assaye's boat which had made such a valiant struggle.

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- 16 Pertaining to wings.
- 18 Musical instrument.
- 19 Highest point.
- 20 Sordid wretch.
- 22 Era.
- 25 Hobby (colloq).
- 27 Organ of hearing.
- 29 Twilled woollen fabric.
- 31 Fix.
- 33 Remaining fragment.
- 36 Unwell.
- 37 Trick.
- 39 Ever.
- 40 Invest.
- 41 Brush.
- 42 Part of the circumference of a circle.
- 44 Tease.
- 46 Not in.
- 48 Abounding in nuts.
- 51 Part of a fish.
- 52 Rigid.
- 54 Small (colloq).
- 56 Grown in a pod.
- 58 Journal.
- 60 Pertaining to deer.
- 63 Gladly.
- 65 Tied with a rope.
- 67 Entice.
- 69 Period.
- 70 Belonging to the crown of the head.
- 71 Strike lightly.
- 72 School list.
- 73 Drive back.
- 74 Eft.

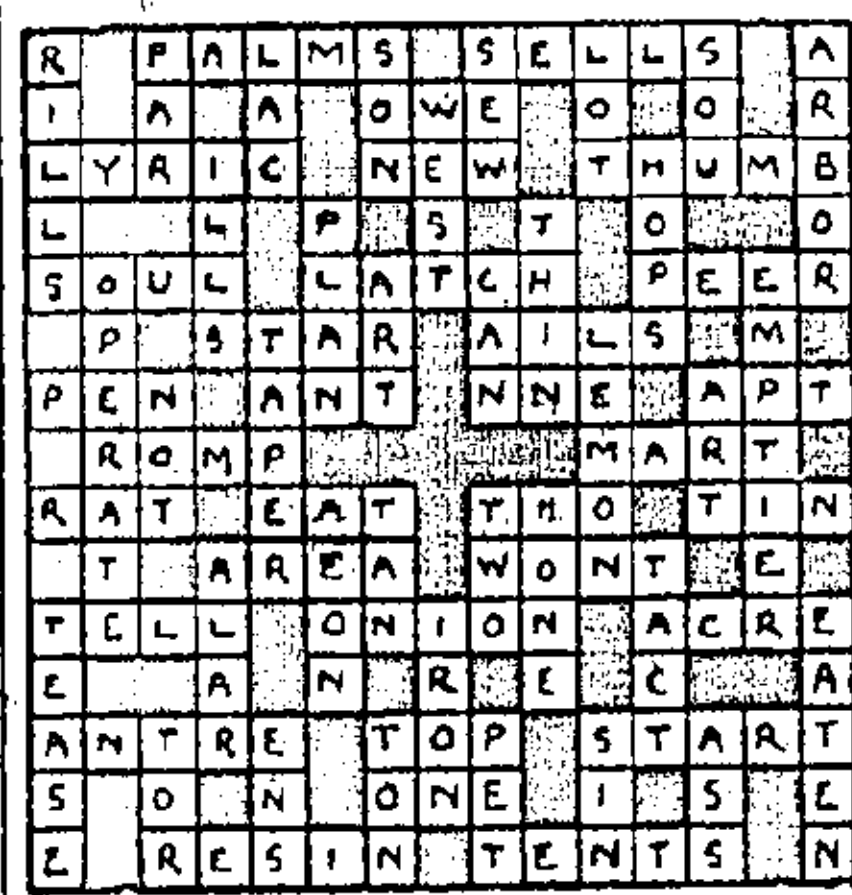
Down.

- 1 Prostrate.
- 2 Insoluble in water.
- 3 Package of paper.
- 4 Two footed animal.
- 5 Place to rest.
- 6 Turkish commander.
- 7 In the right senses.
- 8 Figure of speech (rhet).
- 10 Wealthy.
- 11 Tree.
- 12 Measured out carefully.

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- Abundant.
- Square measure.
- Mournful.
- Essential to rowing.
- Bird.
- Recompense.
- Pastry.
- Decoction of barley with other ingredients.
- Choose by ballot.
- Cut the wool from.
- Article of furniture.
- Fruit.
- Hamper of wicker-work.
- Degenerate dog.
- Attempt.
- Repent.
- Not high.
- Utilize.
- One of two.
- Yes.
- Starting point in golf.
- Nobleman.
- Mistake.
- Worked with the foot.
- At a distance.
- Regular food.
- Bygone days.
- Valley.
- Certain.
- Cried.
- Past.
- Small, smart sound.
- Inexperienced.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



Cheers for the winners were then given and both they and the Yacht Club toasted.

International Friendship.
Mr. Van Ufford in reply, thanked the Yacht Club on behalf of the winning crew who without doubt had had a very trying day. Some people liked wind and some did not. He did not, but the J. C. J. L. crew had nevertheless shown that they were capable of hard and exhausting work. He had spoken on a previous and similar occasion of international friendship and would not have reverted to the subject again but for the happenings of the last two weeks. When a vessel of their line had gone ashore the first ships to answer the call were two British men-of-war. They performed a magnificent feat and few present could realise the difficulties of the work which they undertook. He could only say thanks, without extravagant adjectives. That perfect piece of work was proof of the international friendship existing between the maritime nations.

These races were for all lines that entered Hongkong and he wished that owners would bear this in mind and instead of only nine entries next year, there would then be 90 with every ship competing. They should enter heartily into the contest, bearing in mind the thought of the donor of the trophy.

Three cheers were then given for all the crews that had competed.

Epic Voyage.
The trophy was presented to the Yacht Club by an anonymous donor, to be competed for bi-annually by crews of merchant ships, to commemorate the epic journey of the boats of a.s. Trevesa, wrecked in the Pacific in June 1923. After 22 days of voyaging through terrifying weather and suffering incredible hardships, a boat reached Rodriguez, having travelled 1,200 miles while a second boat turned up three days later. The crew's rations throughout this period were limited to a half biscuit, two tablespoons of water and a cigarette tin lid of Nestlé's Milk per man twice daily.

Officials at yesterday's event were Captain Davison, R.N.R., Marine Superintendent of the C. P. S. S., Commodore J. L. Pearson C.M.G., R.N., Lieut. Colonel Gunn, D. S. O., R. A. and Messrs. Tracey and Van Andel.

Previous winners of this event have been:

- April, 1924, Tjipanas (J. C. J. L.).
- November, 1924, Haiphong (Douglas).
- April, 1925, Haiching (Douglas).
- October, 1925, Haining (Douglas).
- April 1926, Tjisoroea (J. C. J. L.).
- November, 1926, Tjisoroea (J. C. J. L.).



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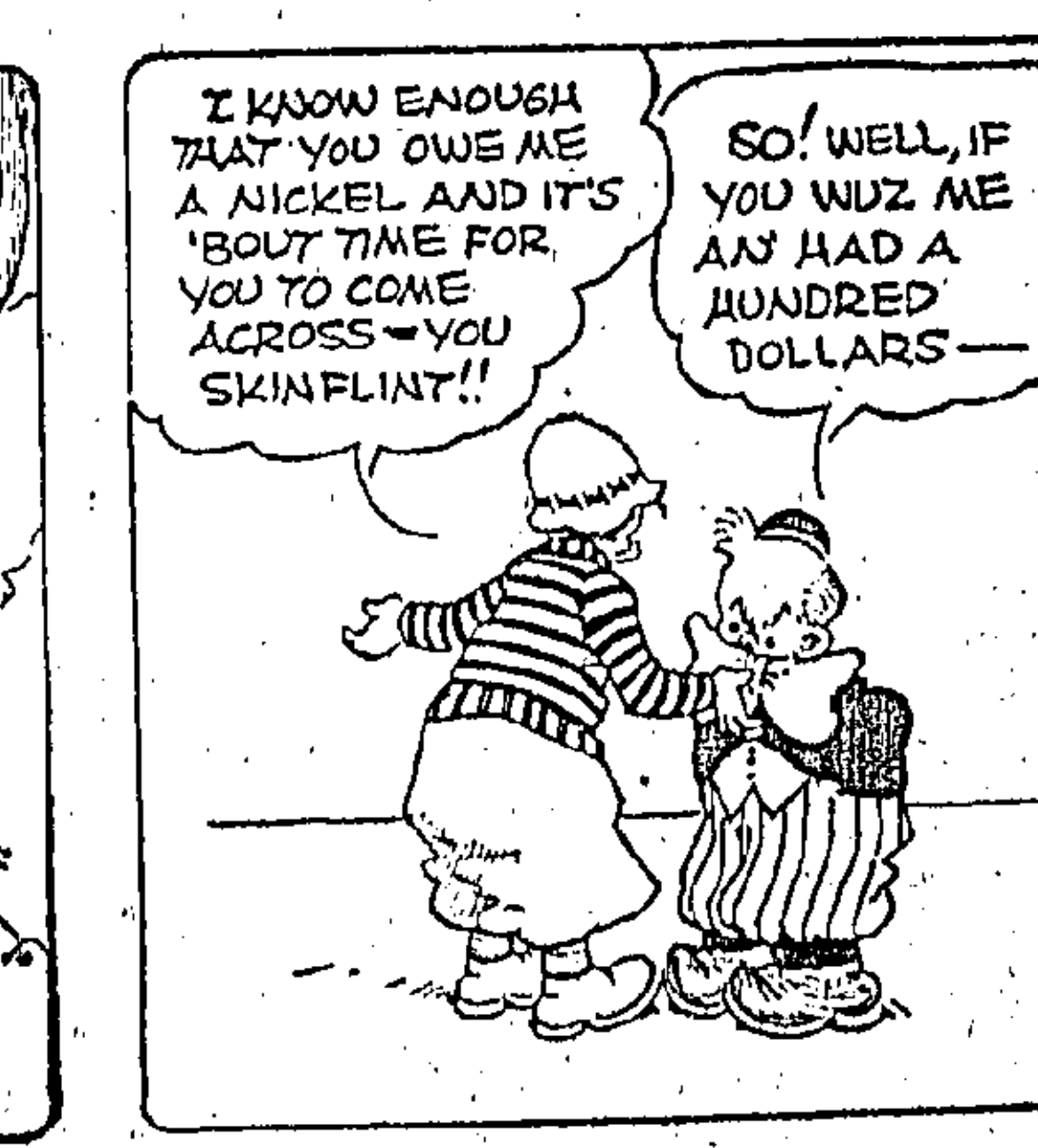
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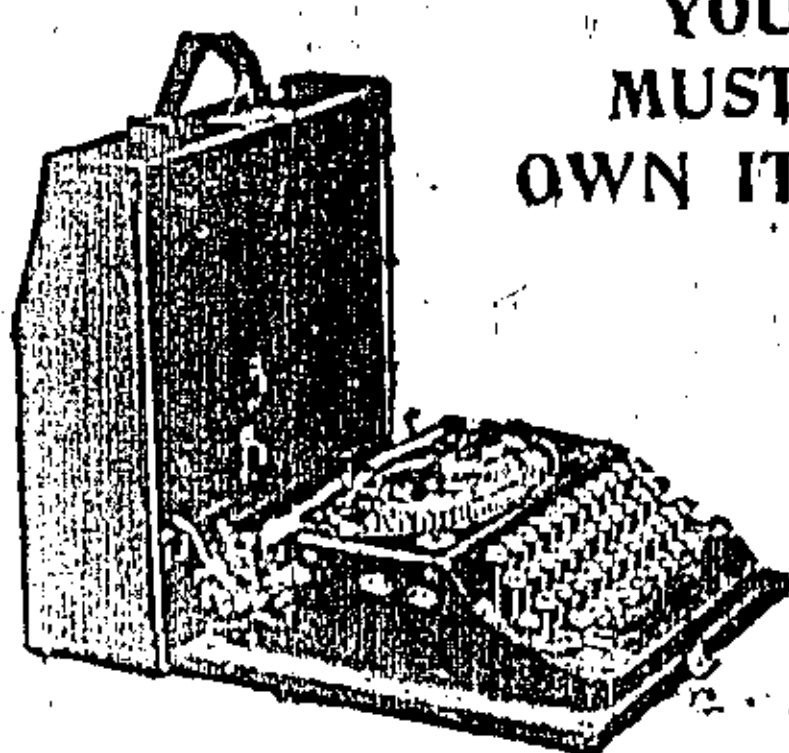
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TRADE UNION
TYRANNY.

Some little time ago in this column reference was made to the fact that the Labour party at Home was so ruled by the trade unions that it was virtually impossible for the party, as a political force, to exercise the freedom it should possess. Labour members of Parliament are far too much under the power of the unions and we saw that in the case of last year's general strike and the prolonged coal strike no Labour M.P. could dare express his personal opinion about the worthiness or otherwise of those strikes without running the risk of being called a "traitor" if, by any chance, he happened as a free thinking man to disagree with the unions. We are glad to see in this connexion a growing "revolt" by Labour members of Parliament against the tyranny of the unions. Quite recently Dr. Haden Guest resigned his seat as a Labour member for the reason that he did not agree with the party's attitude towards the China crisis but, of a different character and a far more important nature so far as the party is concerned, are the latest differences which some of its more independent members have had with unions in their particular areas. Mr. Rosslyn Mitchell, the Labour Member for Paisley, who has just dared to defy the pressure of trade union opinion and to think for himself, is an able and eloquent man. In this dispute with the unions there is a big principle involved, the principle of whether a member of Parliament is responsible to his constituents for his acts and words, or whether he is just an automaton whose strings are pulled by the party to which he belongs, which in the case of the Labour party is a party ruled by trade union leaders.

Mr. Mitchell first roused the anger of the building unions by his frank approval of steel houses. He, exercising his personal judgment, thought that steel houses would be a good thing and help to relieve the great housing shortage. But he was howled down by the builders—obviously an interested and far from impartial party. That quarrel was patched up by the Paisley Labour Party, but the Executive of the Scottish Labour Party has now demanded an unconditional surrender. And behind that Executive and directing its policy stand the trade unions. Mr. Mitchell, true to the tradition of freedom in which he was bred, refuses to answer for himself to anybody but his constituents, and the Executive has told him that if he persists, another candidate will be put in Paisley. A similar prospect, though for a different reason, threatens another independent Labour member, Mr. Frank Rose, the member for Aberdeen.

There are unmistakable signs that Labour members of character, and individuality are becoming growingly restive under the intolerant rule of the party "bosses." The situation is becoming intolerable, remarks a Home Journal, as the persecuting intolerance of political trade unionism grows more marked. Labour members are being robbed of their mental freedom, and it will be a very bad thing indeed for Labour if the party in Parliament becomes nothing more than a pack of well-drilled nonentities. That was the curse of the old Irish Parliamentary Party, and it is something of a blight on the rank and file of the Conservative Party. But it is the last kind of thing desired for a party of liberal thought and progressive ideas. If this tyranny of the trade unions persists, the party will inevitably lose some of its very ablest men. Indeed, it might be said that the exodus has already begun.

Earthquakes.

The recurrence of severe earthquake shocks at Manila, in which several buildings have been cracked, recalls that the Philippines lie along the volcanic zone of the Pacific which extends from north of Japan, through the Nipponese islands and Formosa, and down towards the Dutch Indies. This line is probably equivalent to a crack in the earth's crust, representing a weak or strained part of the surface, similar to the crack which would occur were a loaf of bread bent over in the hands. Earth tremors occur so definitely within the specific areas of volcanic disturbance, that one can nowadays calculate fairly easily what the chances are of a certain place escaping any such natural phenomena. Thus Hongkong, fortunately, is outside the zone, though near enough to be affected by unusually big upheavals. In a city like this, where there is so much hillside building and embankment, a severe earthquake could do considerable damage. Swatow may be mentioned, however, as an instance of a place which suffered a few years ago from a quake, though fairly outside the prescribed area of volcanic disturbance. On the whole, no place is really free from tremors, some of which, such as those in Derbyshire a few years ago, are due to local displacements of underground layers on a large scale. Wherever volcanoes and earthquakes habitually occur, the population grows used to perils of suffering, and even grim tragedy. Old stages among quake victims are able to predict to a degree of certainty when some unusually big catastrophe is portended. Often, this calculation is based on previous shocks, and the recurring tremors in the Philippines suggest the possibility of more, and perhaps greater, upheavals in the near future. It may be noted that large sections of the earth's surface have recently been affected, the earthquakes in South America, where widespread damage was done last week, being instances in point. Indeed, scientists calculate that the world is increasingly liable to volcanic disturbances year by year, coincident with the progress of the cooling process that is continually going on deep down below the surface. And with these phenomena they associate the bigger storms, such as have been occurring over North America, the Mediterranean, and only the other day off the east coast of Australia.

LINGNAN LABOURERS.

UNIVERSITY MUST SETTLE.

In connexion with the labour dispute at Lingnan University, a dispatch was sent by the Canton Department of Peasantry and Labour on Monday demanding that representatives from the University be sent without delay to the Department for settling the dispute with the Labour Union representatives, reports the Canton Gazette.

The dispatch adds: "The Lingnan Labour Union has been registered according to the regulations set up by the Department, therefore it is a perfectly legal organisation. Unless it should act contrary to the regulations it may not be dissolved."

DAY BY DAY.

HEAVEN SENDS US GOOD MEAT, BUT THE DEVIL SENDS COOKS.—Garrick.

The B.I. steamer Santhia, which left Singapore on Sunday is due here to-morrow evening.

The s.s. Empress of Asia left Yokohama to-day and is due to reach Hongkong on Thursday next.

There were two fresh cases of small-pox reported yesterday (one imported), both the sufferers being Chinese. There was also one Japanese case of typhoid fever.

His Excellency the retiring High Commissioner, Sir L.N. Guillemard, was the guest of members of the Malayan Civil Service at a farewell dinner in Kuala Lumpur last night.

This morning's Harbour Office Reports gave 11 arrivals and 19 departures, of which four and 12 respectively were British; leaving 62 vessels in harbour, of which 23 were British.

A boatman was drowned in Sha-shiwan harbour yesterday, while diving to examine his boat, which was submerged under seven feet of water. The body has not been recovered.

Twenty fishermen's nets, valued at \$80, which were left in the water at Deep Water Bay, were stolen overnight, according to a report received at the Aberdeen Police Station.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Clara Jebson, Van Heutsz, Chak-san, Calulu, Janus, Laisang, Bintang, Kwaisang, Empress of Russia, Rheaner, Yuenyang, Kotsu Maru, Honolulu Maru, Kiso Maru, Susana No. 2 Hermelin.

From Yaumati it is reported that yesterday, after attacking his comrade with a chopper, a man living at No. 217 Shanghai Street, turned the weapon on himself and was subsequently removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital in a critical condition. The woman, who was only slightly cut, was not detained at the Hospital.

A very happy gathering of the members of the Indian Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade, took place yesterday afternoon in the grounds of the Indian School, where a tea party was held in honour of Mr. A. el Arculli, Division Superintendent, who is shortly to proceed on a tour to India, Europe and U.S.A. Several felicitous speeches were made.

Yesterday's Macao sailings were disorganised by fog, both the Sui Tai and Sui An missing a trip. The Sui An remained at Macao and the Sui Tai at Hongkong, delayed by the thickness of the weather. Owing to this temporary suspension, the Sui An reported being full up many hours before sailing time and left Macao at noon, instead of 2 p.m. according to schedule. She will arrive here during the afternoon. The Sui Tai left here for Macao at 2 p.m. to-day, the full service now being resumed.

The President, past President and the Committee of St. George's Society are attending the 11 a.m. service at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday, and members of the Society are invited to give their support by being present. The service will be specially adapted to the celebration of St. George's Day and the offertory will be given to the local branch of the Red Cross Society for the fund to provide home comforts for the Military Hospitals of the Colony.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A SOLDIER'S THANKS.

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—Will you please allow me to enter a few lines in your daily paper on behalf of the Cameromians who attended the Y.M.C.A. Peking Road on Tuesday night. We were greatly pleased with the concert which was given by the "Squeakettes" under the direction of Mrs. Russell Brown, also with the Lyric Orchestra.

I am sure we couldn't have wished for a better two hours enjoyment, and we heartily thank them and wish them every success in the near future, and last but not least we also thank the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee for the way they take an interest in doing their utmost in getting up these jolly evenings for the troops, and I am sure we appreciate them one and all.

Again thanking them and wishing them every success.—Yours etc.,
 (Cameromians)
 Kowloon, April 21st, 1927.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY
CELEBRATIONS.

AT HOME TO SERVICE MEN.

The varied suggestions for the celebration of St. George's Day put forward at the annual meeting of the St. George's Society, have been fully discussed by the new committee, we were informed by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., the president of the Society, this morning, and it has been decided that the best interests of the Society can be served by entertaining service men.

The President and Committee will lay a wreath at the Cenotaph at 9 a.m. From 2.15 p.m. till 7 p.m. the committee and members will be "At Home" to sailors and soldiers in uniform at the Queen's Theatre, where films will be shown, and other entertainment provided.

On Sunday a special service in honour of the English patron saint will be held at St. John's Cathedral at eleven o'clock.

These will be the only activities under the auspices of St. George's Society, but it was pointed out to our representative that St. George's Day dances are to be held on Saturday night at the Peak Club and at the Hongkong Hotel.

One of the suggestions which has evoked much comment recently was that a community singing concert should be held in the open air, and Mr. Alabaster said that committee had been thinking of using the Cricket Club ground for the purpose. Unsettled weather recently cast a doubt on the prospects, and the Society had therefore thought it better to entertain the troops at the Queen's Theatre in the afternoon, rather than run the risk of the failure of the outdoor function.

It has been decided to revive the annual ball, and it will be held on the old date, Twelfth Night, January 6th, 1928.

BOOK REVIEW.

AN EXCELLENT FIRST
EFFORT.

["SUN AND MOON" BY VINCENT GOWEN DUCKWORTH, LONDON.]

Despite the gaudy, pictorial "jacket," which utterly belies its purpose, "Sun and Moon" is an excellent novel recounting the dramatic story of two English children brought up in Chinese fashion in Peking. This we understand, is a first novel, and a remarkable one in that the writer knows his Chinese, their customs and their characteristics. Granted the somewhat improbable conception of the father of the children, an ex-Commissioner of Customs, having entirely "gone Chinese," yet there remains much in the book really worth while. The author, has an astounding and intimate knowledge of the family life of the Chinese and is thus able to depict in no uncertain manner the conflict in the mind of the father as to the future of his children.

This is not a story of opium dives and the dregs of a coast port but one which even the "old China hand" can read and have cause to be thoughtful.

CHEKWAN PILGRIMS

EXCURSIONS RESUMED.

In connexion with Chinese celebrations, it is announced that commencing this morning and continuing until Sunday, excursions will be run to Chekwon, a local family Mecca situated near Lin Tin and about two hours distant from Hongkong.

This is the first organised visit to the spot for more than four years, the annual excursions having been stopped by order of the authorities, owing to the activity of pirates. Special permission had first to be obtained for a resumption of this service.

The vessels engaged, on alternate days are the Tai Lee and Wing On, which sailed this morning at 8 a.m., and the San Nani Hoi and On Lee, sailing at 8 a.m. to-morrow, the last trip being made on Sunday. The boats will return daily at 3 p.m.

Chekwon is remarkable for a number of ancient temples and shrines, while it is understood that a large number of lepers are congregated in the vicinity.

The elephant Gaspard, familiar to visitors to the Paris Zoo, recently became so unmanageable that he was destroyed with poison gas. He was 19 years old.

The Very Idea!

It was Children's Day in a small country community in Oregon. The very young and inexperienced minister seemed to be somewhat disconcerted by the row of little boys and girls in their starched best who sat in front of him. After several starts, which seemed to get him nowhere, he suddenly stopped, clasped his hands, raised his eyes to heaven, and with a beatific smile said: "And what is so sweet as the face of a little upturned child?"

"I'm in the dark about this bill," she told the gas man, plain. "I haven't got the money." Now she's in the dark again.

William Wright, a wealthy tradesman, of Borneo, has undergone a disquieting experience in consequence of a mistake made by himself.

He discovered, as he thought, a deficit of \$12,000 in his books, and, being afraid of bankruptcy and, perhaps, arrest, he fled to Halifax, Canada.

A warrant for his arrest was issued by the Swiss police, and Wethli, on landing in Canada, was taken to prison pending an extradition order. An expert then examined his books, and found that there was no deficiency whatever, and that Wethli had made a mathematical mistake.

A second cablegram to Halifax liberated Wethli, and he is expected to return home soon to rejoin his distracted wife.

Tottenham man: I am nearly guilty. Magistrate: Nearly guilty! What do you mean? Man: Well, I was going to do what the policeman says I did when he stopped me.

Wilkesden, magistrate: You have sworn to love, honour, and obey your husband. Wife: The first two, yes; but no wives obey nowadays.

Man at Wilkesden: The doctor told me three years ago that I could not live long, and he gave me some medicine that was no good at all.

Solicitor at Bow County Court: You saw your landlady; what did she do? Tenant: She talked for ten minutes. Solicitor: And then? Tenant: She went on talking.

Nottinghamshire solicitor: Timepieces do not exist for a loving couple who are absorbed in courtship.

Children are a warning to those whose articulation is faulty or who do not pronounce distinctly. For example, a little girl taken to her first concert heard a well-known song of Burns sung. At the close she asked, "Ma, what did the gentleman mean about 'The Green-grocer's Ashes'?"

Another little girl, having had the Lord's Prayer repeated to her several times somewhat carelessly, surprised a listener to her evening prayers by beginning thus, "Our Father's white shirt in Heaven."

John William Briant, aged seventy-one, a taxicab driver, of Tabard-street, Borough, was sentenced at Lambeth Police Court to twenty-one days' imprisonment in the second division for being drunk during his employment.

Mr. Rooth, the magistrate, said that the sentence was intended not only as a punishment to Briant, but as a warning to others. He had to protect the public, and he could not allow even a man of seventy-one to pass unscathed through an ordeal like that.

Why do men object to women wearing their hair short?—Miss Maude Royden.

I am told that young men are a little nervous of the modern woman.—Lord Astor.

What women have to overcome is the prejudice, not of the nasty people, but of the nice people.—Lord Balfour of Burleigh.

A Paris Court has decided that a man who finds a wife for a friend, at the latter's request, is entitled to the fee agreed upon.

Also, that there is nothing dishonourable in such a transaction. A widower had offered a friend 3,000 francs to "find a suitable wife" for him.

After the suitable wife had been found the widower refused to pay, declaring that such a commission was illegal.

The Court decided against him.

The ship's company of H.M.S. Froisher held their first Ball at the Hotel Savoy last night, dancing commencing at 8.30 p.m. and not terminating until midnight. The Mystery Dance Band was in attendance, and a very enjoyable time was spent by all attending.

WORK ON STRANDED STEAMER.**TJISOROEÄ GOES TO AID OF TJILEBOET.****SCOTLAND MARU PROGRESS.**

Although no definite news has been received of the progress of salvage operations on the stranded Tjileboet, the weather has been such as to strengthen the hope that the vessel will be re-floated during the next 24 hours.

The Tjisoroeä was despatched to the scene this morning, and with her assistance it is thought that the stranded liner will be moved from her present position to-day, although it may not be found possible to bring her into harbour.

The discharging of the cargo of the Scotland Maru is proceeding, and it is learned from the local agents that she will in all probability be docked within the next three days for repairs.

AN ANTI-SOVIET GROUP.**MOSCOW REPORT OF MONARCHIST PLOTTING.**

Moscow, April 20.

The official news agency reports that the State Political Department has discovered and broken up a Monarchist group who were followers of the ex-Grand Duke Nicholas Nicolaievitch, who is alleged to have been mainly engaged in military espionage for certain foreign intelligence services.

The group is stated to have been directed by Koutepov, a former General of the White Russian army, living in Paris.

The report refers to certain of the arrested persons who are stated to have confirmed this. The object was also to endeavour to assist the creation of an anti-Soviet organisation in Russia.—*Reuter.*

SHOT HIS COLONEL.**LT. DUFFIELD EXPLAINS DEED.**

Gibraltar, April 20.

At the opening of to-day's proceedings against Lieutenant Duffield of the Second East Surrey, charged with shooting Colonel Fitzgerald of the same regiment, two statements by the accused were read out.

The first said, "I am perfectly sane, and know what I have done."

The second said he apologised for the extra work he had given, but pointed out he would not be kept there long as it was a civil charge, and added that since their arrival in Gibraltar the Colonel "had given up all ideas of soldiering, and it is better one man should die than the whole regiment be ruined. I made a mess of things. I missed with the first shot, and hit him with the second, which was meant for myself."—*Reuter.*

GRENADES FOUND.**SEARCHER'S DISCOVERY IN CONVENIENCE.**

Two grenades, a revolver and seven rounds of ammunition were contained in a parcel discovered by a water-front searcher in a public convenience in Connaught Road West yesterday.

Detectives have been engaged in an attempt to discover the persons connected with the disposition of the parcel, but up to the time of going to press no arrests had been made.

The grenades have been sent by Police Headquarters to the Government Analyst for examination.

CRUISERS IN HARBOUR.**WHOLE OF FIRST SQUADRON HERE.**

H. M. S. Dauntless arrived from the North this morning, coincident with the return of H. M. S. Frobieher, H. M. S. Dragon, H. M. S. Delhi, and H. M. S. Danae from exercises. The whole of the First Cruiser Squadron is now in Harbour.

SINGAPORE'S PONTOON DOCK.**THREE SECTIONS NEARLY COMPLETED.**

London, April 20.

Satisfactory progress in the construction of the Singapore pontoon dock is reported.

Three out of seven of the sections will be ready for launching in about three months time.—*Reuter.*

MISSIONS LOSSES.**ELOQUENT ARRAY OF FACTS.****TALES OF WANTON RUIN.**

The manner in which Mission property throughout China has been subjected to outrages during the past few months is told in the following article, written by Louise E. Wilson, in the N. C. Daily News.

At the present time when the question of future mission policies in China is being discussed by all mission officers, records are also being compiled by most of them regarding the extent of damage to their properties throughout China. The compilation is not anywhere near complete as can readily be understood in view of the proximity to recent events in Central China, as well as the uncertainties attached to evacuated places many of which require weeks for communications to reach.

In most cases there is no hesitation on the part of foreign missionaries to admit that these inventories are being prepared with a view to securing reparations.

No honest mission worker will tell you that the eventual hope of his mission is anything other than turning over all institutions, schools, etc., to the Chinese Christians. But that again is a slightly different matter from being forcibly ejected from residences by anti-foreign soldiers, from seeing churches used as stables, and modern, splendidly equipped hospitals used as barracks for a filthy horde and a general disregard of law and order in its most lenient sense, not to mention the finer distinctions of property rights.

As in all such cases, however, the thing to do is to let facts speak for themselves. Such facts amount to an over-awing accumulation for him who would present them one by one.

The Nanking incident alone, when figures are brought to light of losses sustained by foreigners, will probably be at the head of the list, but isolated incidents are not being overlooked in the tabulation.

C. I. M.'s Heavy Losses.

Some of the available facts show that the China Inland Mission, adhering strictly in the past to a policy of exacting no reparations, has been as hard hit as any. From Szechuan from which only scanty reports can be got at the present time we know that centres at Luckow have been looted, Wansien looted, and Paoning occupied by the military. Honan shows Yencheng looted; Kiangsu, three properties in Yangchow looted and occupied; Chinkiang occupied and looted.

In Kiangsi province (up to April 12) 21 stations of the C.I.M. had been affected, not including the Alliance China Mission; nine have been occupied by the military and in most cases damaged and looted; the hospital at Linkiang has been occupied by wounded soldiers and military; Loping station looted, after serious rioting and damage by the military and labour union.

Chinking centres of the C.I.M. have likewise been badly used and present reports are that seven properties have been damaged to greater or less extent, eight others looted and three chapels sealed. There have been 12 stations in this province previously occupied by the military, and one station at Yenchow bears the mark of having been 14 times occupied. Political Labour Unions now have headquarters in eight C.I.M. centres in the province and occupation of four others are believed imminent following repeated threats.

Chinese Christians Persecuted.

In all cases where Nationalist authorities have been in the ascendancy it is authoritatively stated that Chinese Christians are persecuted when they attempt to worship.

In some places the local authorities "take over" schools and "run" them. It is almost impossible to speak of the taking over or the running without a liberal sprinkling of inverted commas, so like a bad little boy's dream of attending school this process has been. Holidays exceed the wildest imaginations of the same bad little boy, student union meetings are given precedence to all merely scholastic duty, soldiers drill in the school premises and the authorities issue prolific accounts of their successes in administration.

To carry on with a few more instances, soldiers are being quartered in all properties belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Church at Nanking, with Middle Schools being used as stables. All houses of this mission were looted, four of which were burned. The same applies to Chinkiang. In Wuhu, another chief centre of the mission, schools are closed. Kiukiang and Nanchang show churches full of soldiers and latest reports which it is taken do not apply to the Methodist mission alone show that

BROKEN SPINE.**CHINESE OUT IN PLASTER JACKET.**

A man who has been walking aboard in a plaster jacket, completely in disregard of his doctor's warning that a displacement of the surgical appliance may bring death from a fractured spine, was the cause of considerable worry to the Magistrate (Mr. R. E. Lindsay) before whom he appeared this morning as complainant in a charge of assault.

The case was that some time ago a fight occurred in a boarding house occupied by emigrants, as a result of which one man was removed to hospital with a fractured spine, while another emigrant, who was accused of having caused this injury with a chopper, was held by the police on a charge of assault.

Two weeks had elapsed since the affair, and this morning for the first time the injured man appeared in the Court, although having to move about carefully in the plaster-jacket in which he was placed. The surgeon at the Government Civil Hospital had warned him that he left hospital at his own risk, but that had not deterred him, nor turned him from the purpose which he had already formed of continuing on his way to Singapore.

Placed Under Restraint.

After the case had been disposed of through the defendant being discharged, on a statement from the complainant that the wrong man had been arrested, his Worship deemed it necessary to take the latter to task.

His Worship asked why the doctor's orders had been gone against, and the man replied that he believed he had quite recovered from his injury. He must go abroad.

Do you still want to go abroad?

—Yes.

Have you passed the examination yet?—Yes.

Do you realise that you are quite likely to die if that plaster comes off?—Yes.

Do you want to die?—No.

Mr. Lindsay thought that it was necessary to put the man under restraint in view of his condition, and he referred the case to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The Prime Minister in Parliament recently informed Captain Fraser that he could not give time for a discussion on the advisability of permitting certain specially selected front bench speeches to be broadcast by arrangement between the parties at rare intervals when the importance and general interest of the subject was unquestionable. Under the rules of the House, many opportunities were afforded to members to bring forward motions for private members' business. He was not prepared to set up a select committee of both Houses, as he was unaware of any change of opinion since the reply was given to a similar question on March 22, 1926.

Nationalist circles are beginning to press the idea of general confiscation of mission properties.

Huge Sums in Damages.

It is estimated that the Women's Bible Training School at Nanking alone sustained \$35,000 damages, and other compilations of material damages by this mission show that about two months ago when Poochow institutions of the organization were gutted a total of between \$50-60,000 loss was involved.

The same conditions apply to the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Of the 65 schools, etc. of this mission, only those in Shouhsing, Hangchow and Ningpo in Chekiang are "running." Other schools under Chinese supervision all at Sweifu, Yachow, Kiating and Chengtu.

The American Church Mission, (American Episcopal) at Nanking have finished a report of losses sustained by them in Nanking and in round numbers this is about \$17,000, accrued from the looting, down to the woodwork of one boys' and one girls' school, three residences and a church.

All Up the Yangtze.

At Yangchow, three residences have been looted and five buildings belonging to the mission occupied. Labour agitators are using the church, school and residence at Woosung for headquarters as they are at Kianguan and Sunkiang which the military occupied. At Anking where one of the best equipped mission hospitals in this part of China is situated, soldiers are quartered in the hospital, and seven residences have been looted thoroughly. At Kiukiang, two hospitals, two boys' schools and churches, two boys' all being occupied and from Nanchang comes the same report. At Wuchang "school is being kept" at Boone University, although less than one third of the students are there and soldiers drill on the grounds.

At Changsha buildings are all in the hands of the students' union, nor does this mission entertain any very high hopes about property at Ichang and Shasi.

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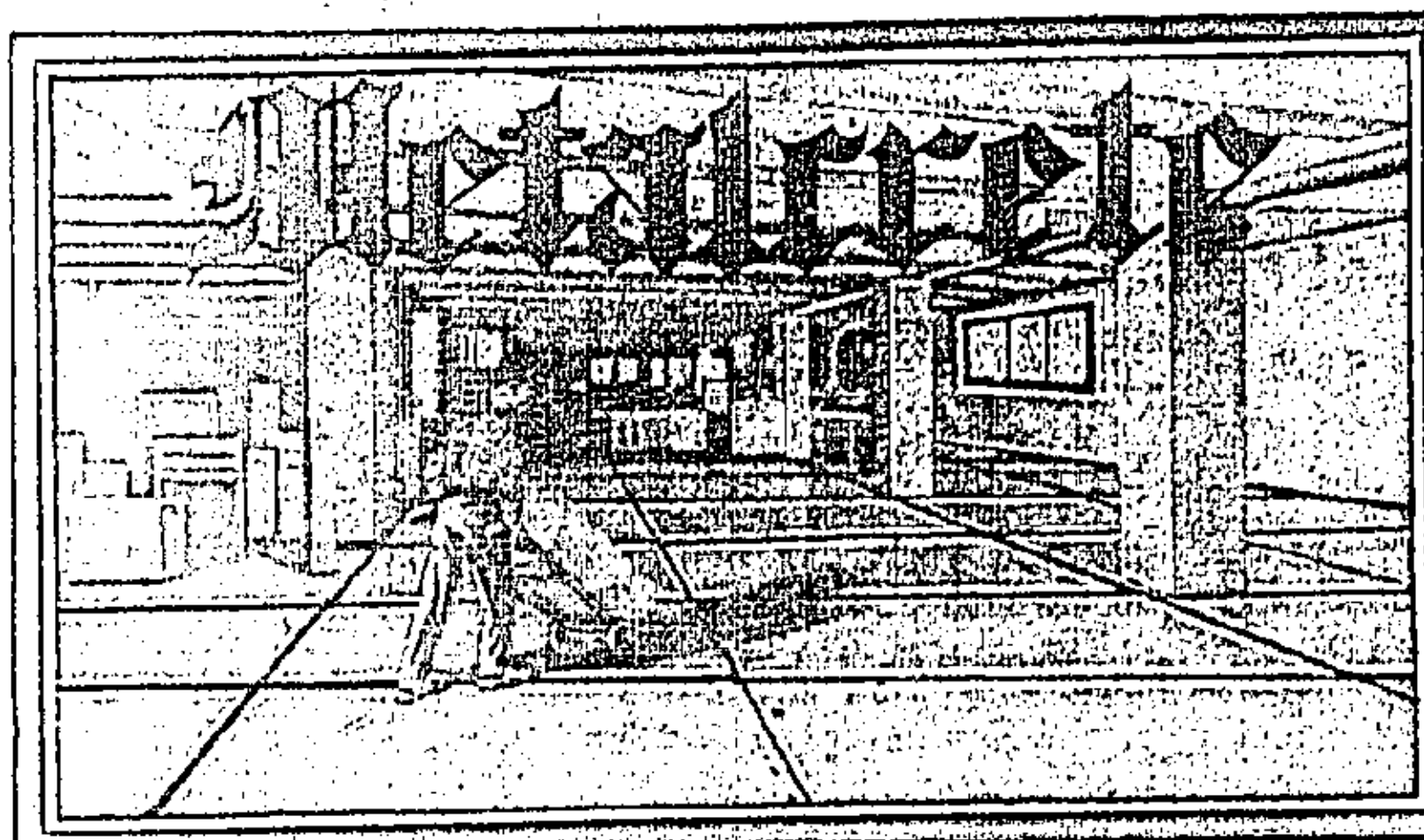
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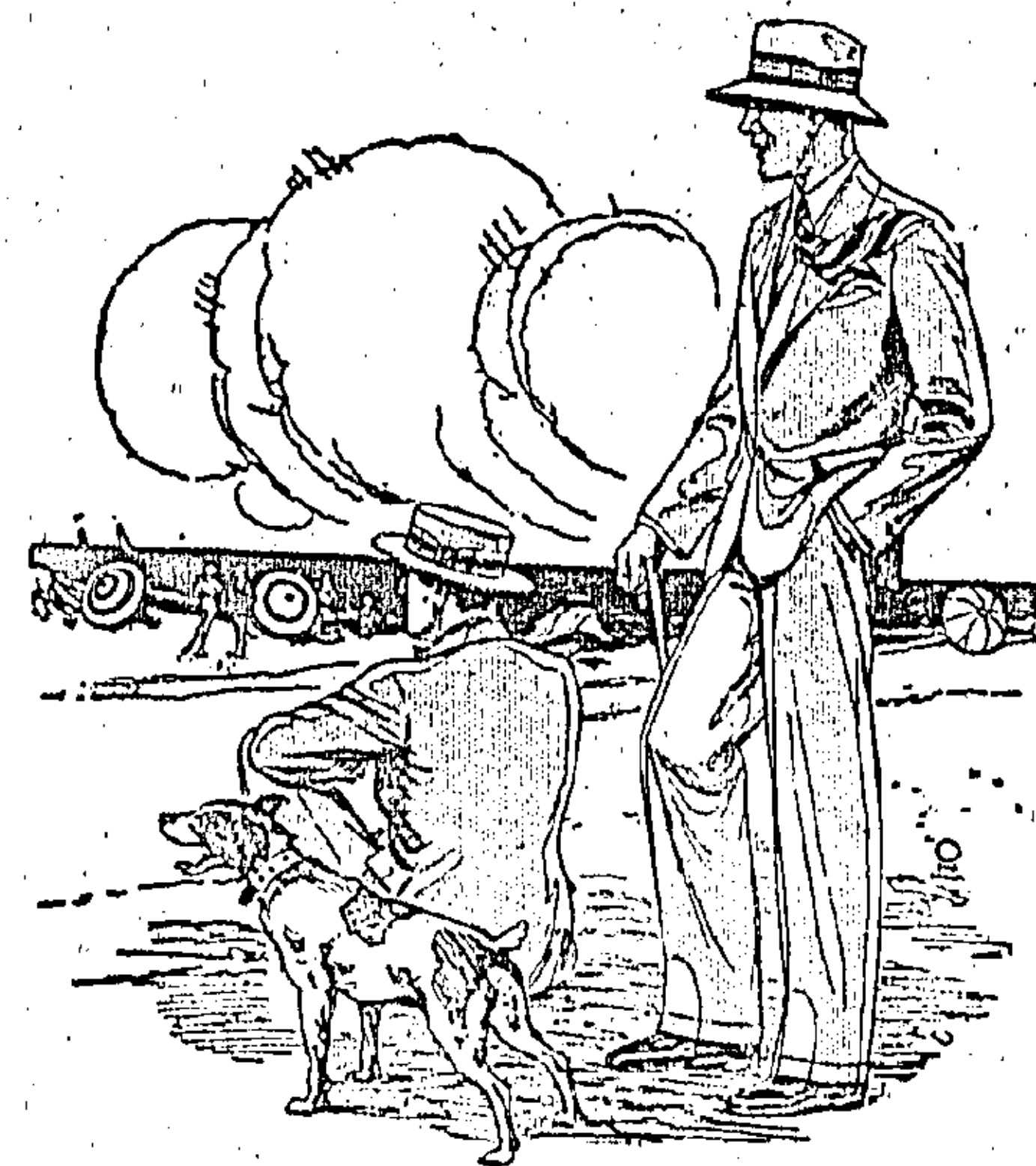
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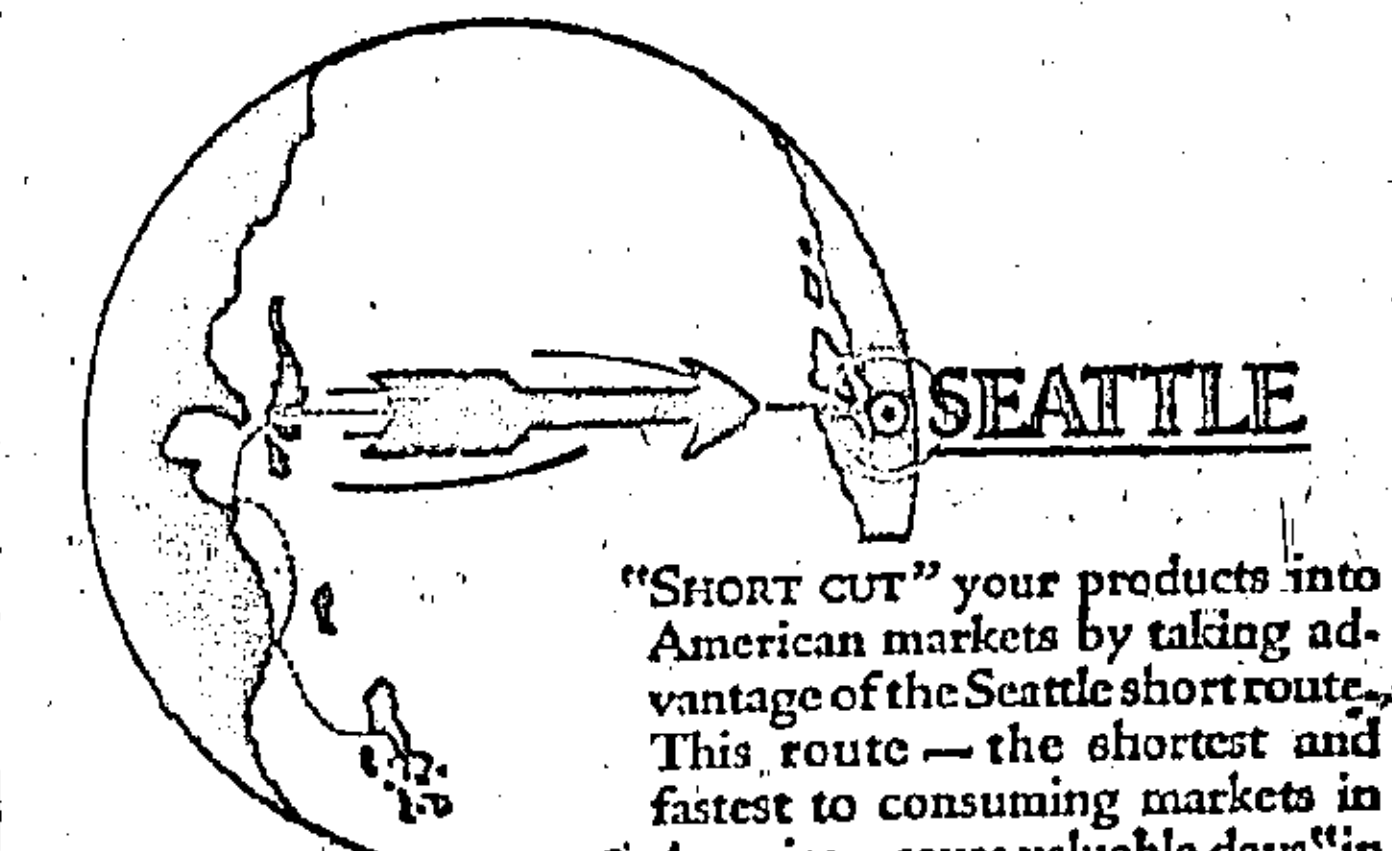
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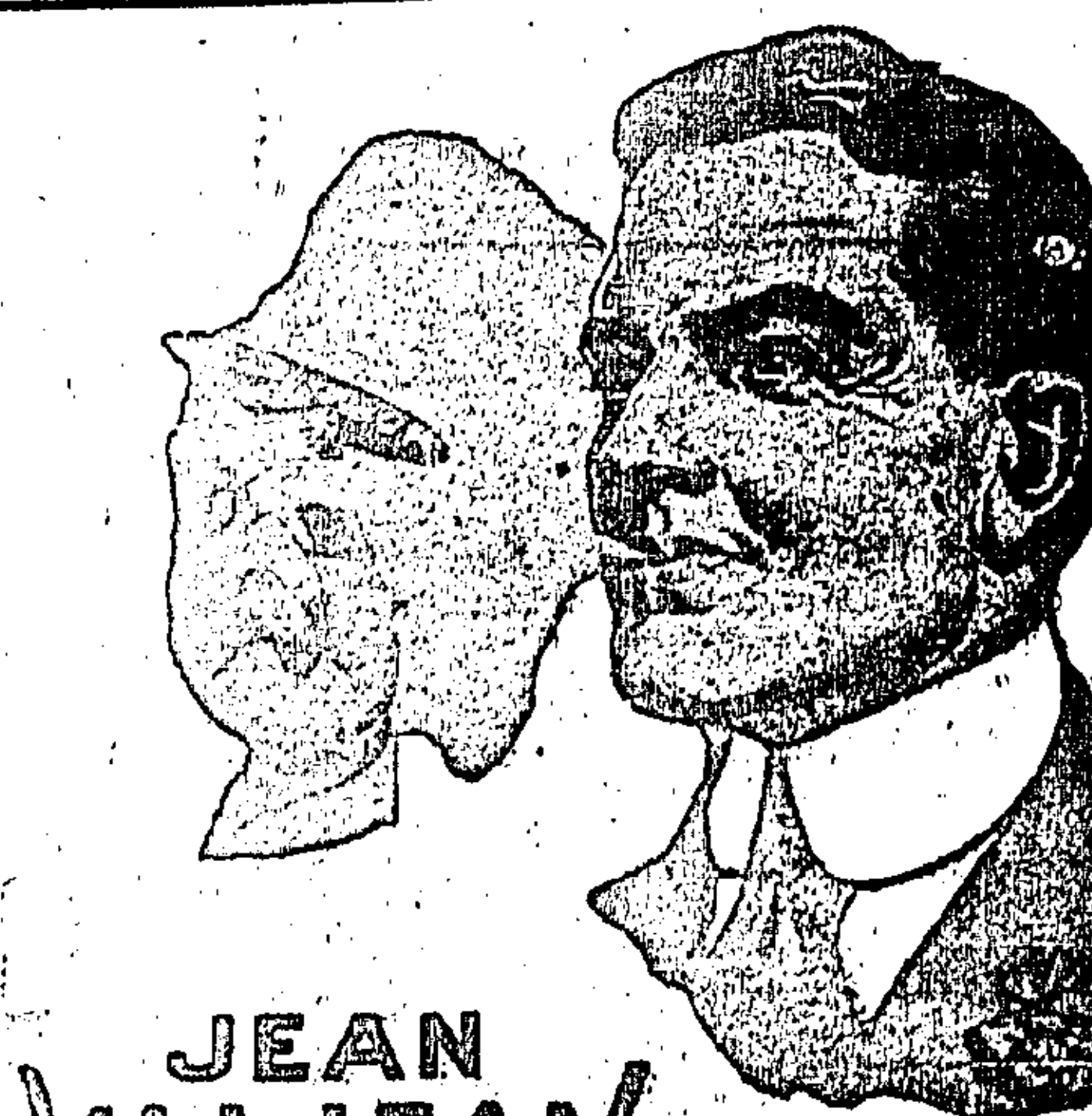
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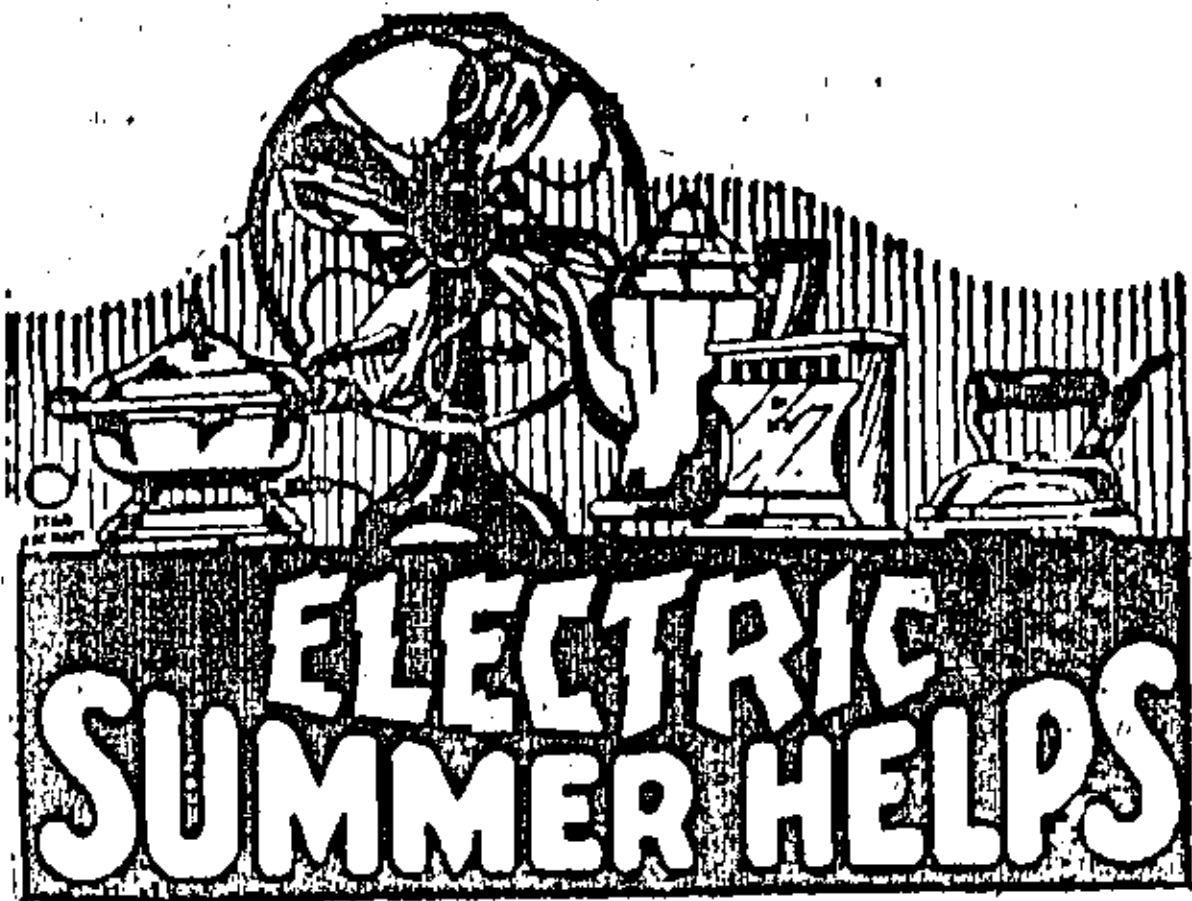
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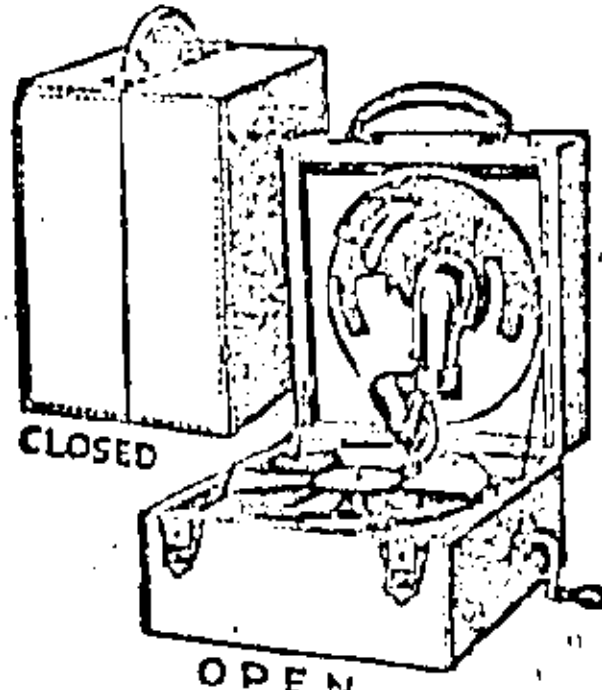
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Structural alterations have re-
cently been effected on the first
floor of Messrs Lane, Crawford's
premises, whereby the restaurant
and cafe accommodation has been
considerably increased. The
extra space now provided is
situated at the eastern end of the
premises, overlooking Queen's
Road, and an attractive colour
scheme, comfortable furniture and
general appointments create a
restful atmosphere which has
evoked favourable comment.

Apart from the added facility
offered to patrons, the new room
is particularly suited for private
parties, providing as it does, a
seclusive and attractive rendezvous
for special social events. One
outstanding advantage of the
new arrangement is that the main
restaurant is now directly open
to the outside air to a more pro-
nounced degree than hitherto,
thereby ensuring a constant fresh-
ness of atmosphere, eminently de-
sirable in an establishment so
largely frequented by the public.
Messrs Lane, Crawford, Ltd. are
to be congratulated upon their
enterprise, thus giving further
evidence of the firm's considera-
tion for the comfort of its patrons.

LAND SALES.

TWO KOWLOON LOTS DISPOSED OF.

Two lots of property were dis-
posed of by local auctioneers yes-
terday afternoon. Both pieces of
land are situated on the Kowloon
Peninsula, and the sale was start-
ed at the same upset price of
\$6,000.

In the case of the lot offered
by Mr. A. G. da Rocha, the prop-
erty consisted of the remaining por-
tion of sub-section 3 of section A
of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 58,
being in Wossing Street, Yaumati.
The land was put up at \$6,000
with bids of \$100 acceptable.

After the price had been ad-
vanced to \$7,100, the Yuen Fat
Co., Ltd., became the new owners.
At the China Auction Rooms,
Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa put up
for public auction, Section D and
E of Kowloon Inland Lot No.
1,507, situated at Homantin, the
area of the lots being 12,000
square feet.

The upset price of \$6,000 was
only exceeded by one bid of \$500,
when Mr. J. A. de V. Soares be-
came the purchaser.

SUNNING PIRATES.

CONVERTED ON EVE OF EXECUTION.

With the execution yesterday of
two pirates, the seventh and eighth
to be hanged in the course of a few
weeks, there closed the last chapter
of the history of the Sunning piracy.

During February, after the last
despairing attempt of some of the
condemned to escape from prison
on the eve of their execution, six
of the Sunning pirates were execut-
ed, the grim work being spread
over three days.

The seventh and eighth pirates
yesterday met their death with the
same degree of composure as was
displayed by the others. At the last
moment they accepted conversion to
the Roman Catholic faith by the
Prison Chaplain.

The usual death inquiry was con-
ducted by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the
Central Magistracy yesterday after-
noon, when a jury was empanelled,
with Mr. N. V. A. Creucher as fore-
man.

Evidence given by prison officials
and Dr. Alex. Cannon showed that
the execution had been carried out
according to law, and the jury re-
turned the usual verdict.

KHIVA ASHORE.

VESSEL QUITE SAFE.

Later.
The Captain of the Khiva wire-
lesses that the ship is quite safe
and awaiting tugs before moving.
At the present time there are
twenty-one feet of water in No. 1
hold but no water in No. 2.

The tugs mentioned earlier are
expected to reach the Khiva this
evening. There are fifty passen-
gers aboard of whom forty-six are
for Shanghai, the remainder for
Japan.—*Reuter.*

SYDNEY'S STORM.

DEATH ROLL NOW REACHES FIFTEEN.

Sydney, April 20.
The death roll of the storm men-
tioned on the 10th has now reached
fifteen.—*Reuter.*

HUGE MILITARY CAMP.

SHAMSHUPO READY FOR THE TROOPS.

A modern military camp, com-
plete in every detail and ready to
accommodate two battalions of
troops, now stands on the huge
area of reclaimed land on the
foreshore at Shamsupo. Only
two months ago the land which
is now covered with well over a
hundred huts, was bare of build-
ings.

The military camp stands on an
area of 420 acres at the end of
Lai Chi Kok Road.

The Hongkong Excavation, Pile
Driving and Construction Com-
pany, Limited, who undertook the
building of 81 of these huts, drove
the first pile into the ground on
March 3rd. In forty-five days the
company has erected a military
camp, complete with officers' quar-
ters, mess, dining room, lavatories,
sergeants' mess, men's quarters,
men's mess, bathrooms, store
houses, and even two brick guard
houses. Nothing is wanting in
the way of lighting and telephone
equipment, and even the water
pipes have been laid in this short
time.

How it was Done.

Over 5,000 men working day and
night were employed to complete
the camp inside the time specified
by the Government (60 days).
The camp was handed over to the
authorities last Monday.

Mr. C. L. Shank, Vice-President
of the Hongkong Excavation, Pile
Driving and Construction Com-
pany, personally supervised the
work, being ably assisted by Mr.
W. H. Wu. In an interview, Mr.
Wu said it was a pleasure to see
the huts going up one after an-
other during the days on which
they worked on the site. Some-
times they erected one hut a day
and occasionally two. Rain inter-
fered at times, but they succeeded
in completing the camp fifteen
days before the time limit had ex-
pired.

When work was started there
was no road, water, telephone or
artificial light, but to-day there
stands on the same site, accommo-
dation for two battalions to move
in when they like.

Excellent Equipment.

There are thirty-six platoon
huts, each capable of housing
thirty-four men. To each hut, is
a window and a locker. These
huts are 123 feet long by 18 feet
wide and at the end of each there
are two rooms for the sergeants.
Everything which will add com-
fort to the men has been provided.
The floor and foundation of these
huts are of cement concrete and
electric lighting has been fitted.
Ceiling fans will also be installed
later.

Four big messes with kitchens
attached, each 203 feet long by 18
feet wide, will be given over en-
tirely to the men for dining rooms.
In the spacious kitchen, there is
provision for several large cup-
boards, plate racks, and excellent
facilities for washing. The dining
rooms and kitchen are partitioned
into two sections. The walls of
the kitchen are of asbestos sheet-
ing, and entirely fireproof.

Two buildings known as shop
huts, are of special interest. Each
is divided into four sections.
One section will be used as an
armoury, another for the carpen-
ter's shop, the third for the shoe-
maker and the remaining one will
be used by the tailor.

The Ablution Huts.

There are four ablution huts in
the camp, each 81 feet long and
18 feet wide. One ablution bench
is well over fifty feet long and has
pipes at intervals of a few feet.
Other similar benches run along
the side of the wall. In each hut
there are shower baths in addition
to the conventional baths. The
lavatory arrangements are excellent
in every detail.

The Sergeant's mess has a kit-
chen attached, the lay-out being
similar to the men's mess and kit-
chen, except that there are small
side tables. There are two of
these huts, measuring 109 feet by
18 feet.

The officer's mess huts measure
102 feet by 18 feet. Each hut
contains five rooms, namely, one
dining room, one kitchen, two
messmen's rooms and a pantry.
Against the walls of the dining
room large cupboards have been
provided and the kitchen and pan-
try are excellently equipped.

The Officer's Quarters.

There are in all twelve huts for
officers, each intended to accom-
modate five men. Each officer
will have a single room for his
personal use. A passage runs in
front of the five rooms, and at the
end are two bathrooms fitted with
showers, and bath tubs of re-
inforced concrete lined with tiles.
There are three windows to each
room in the officer's quarters.

The two guard rooms are made
of brick, and have six cells. There
is also a large detention room.

Of particular interest are the
two brick huts which comprise the
food store. A free flow of air is en-
sured by the hollow walls, double
roof, and double doors and win-
dows. In addition there are two
other general stores, where cigar-
ettes, etc. will be on sale.

The offices attached to the camp
comprise six huts which will be
used by clerks and storekeepers.
There are two other huts for the
staff, quartermasters, and their as-
sistants.

The Laichikok Road, which
formerly ended on the border of
the reclaimed ground now runs
right through the camp. A new
road, named Camp Road, runs
breadthwise through the camp.
The former is 100 feet wide and
the latter 60 feet.

The plans were drawn by the
P. W. D. and as stated the camp
was built by the Hongkong Ex-
cavation, Pile Driving and Con-
struction Co. in forty-five days.
To complete the scheme a further
thirty huts have been erected by
another company on the back por-
tion of the site.

After having travelled 15,000
miles by sea and 3,000 miles by
land, the members of the M.C.C.
team, who have been touring
South America under the cap-
taincy of Mr. P. F. Warner, landed
at Plymouth last month. "One
game," said Mr. Warner, "was
spoiled by a dust storm and torren-
tial rain. The heat and the glare
of the sun affected the team in
their timing of the ball, while the
fielding suffered until the players
became accustomed to the glare.
Another match was played with
the temperature at 100 in the
shade."



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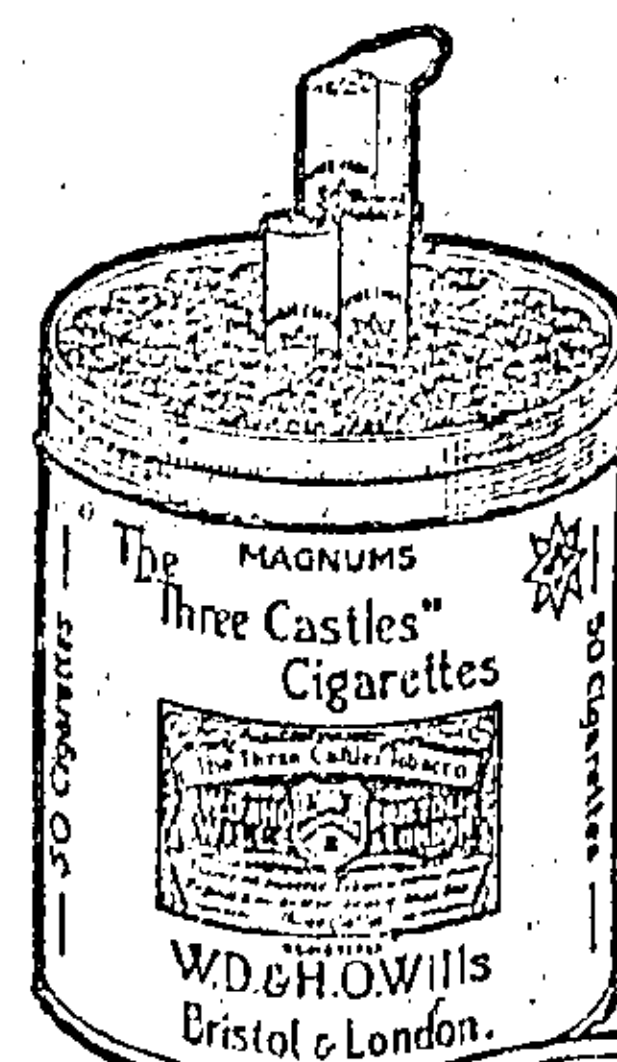
If your character as told by your
hands interests you surely the
much more reliable evidence the
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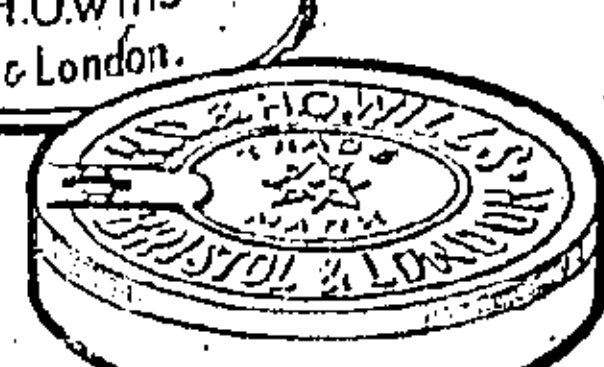
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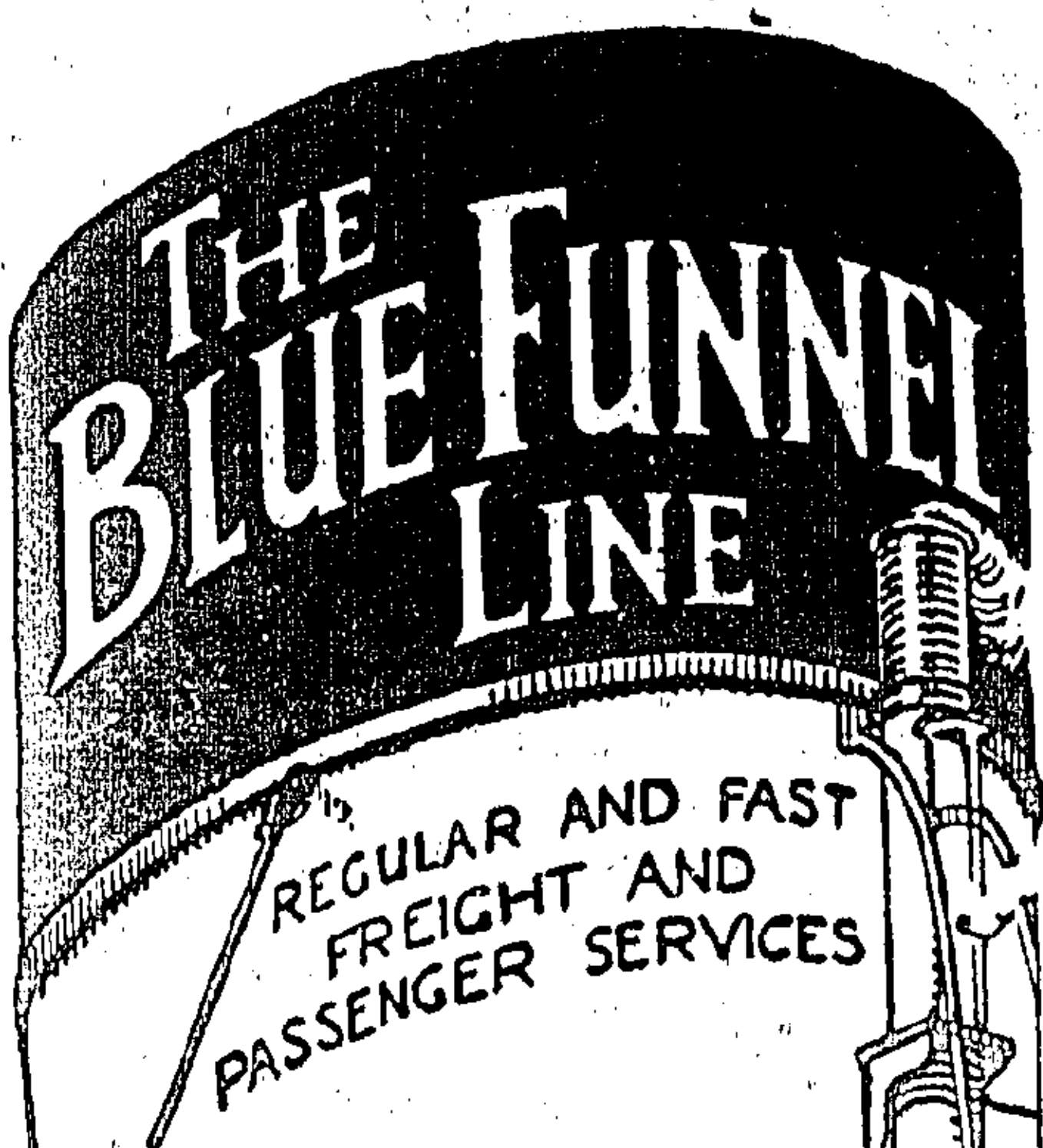


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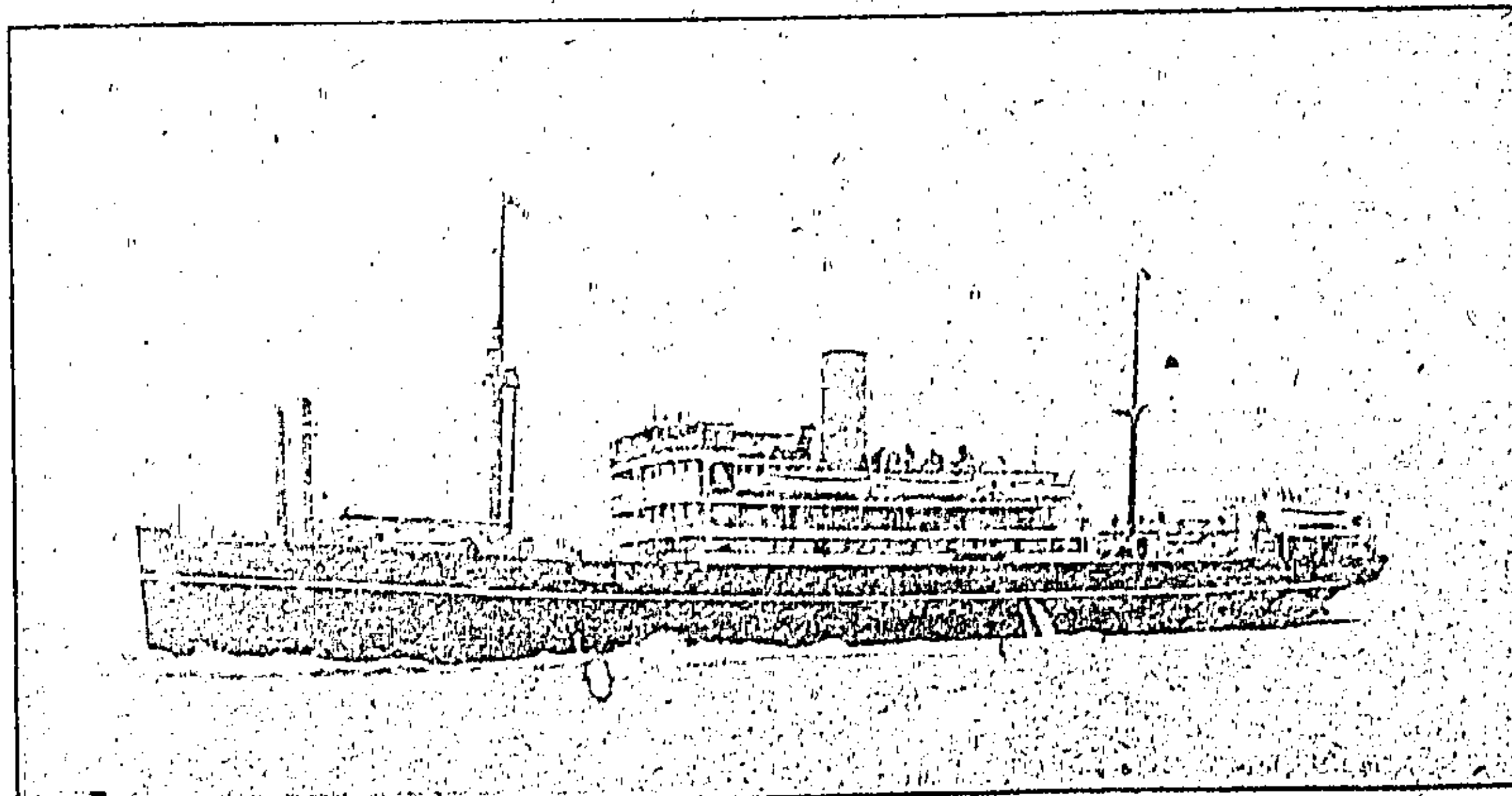
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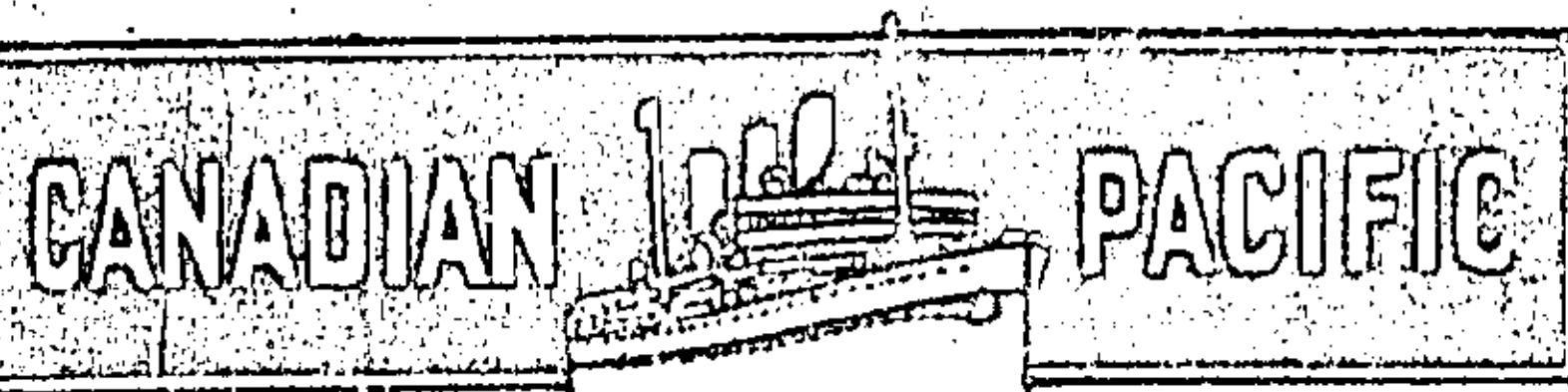


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EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 11
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CANTON	Kwongsang	Fri. 22nd Apr at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai Kwongsang		Sun. 24th Apr at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Suisang	Mon. 25th Apr at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai Loesang		Wed. 27th Apr at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Thurs. 28th Apr at 3 p.m.
TIENSIN	Cheongsang	Sun. 1st May at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai Foushang		Sun. 1st May at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Mon. 2nd May at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai Hangsang		Wed. 4th May at 7 a.m.
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JAPAN'S CABINET.

THE NEW MINISTRY.

Tokyo, April 20.
 The Cabinet has been formally announced. The names are the same as given this morning except that General Yoshinori Shirakawa is Minister of War.It is believed that Baron Tanaka's assumption of the Foreign portfolio is only temporary and that either Mr. Tsuneo Matsudaira, Ambassador at Washington, or Mr. Kenkichi Yoshizawa, Minister to China at Peking, are being regarded as likely candidates.—*Reuter.*

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Tjibodas	Java M'csr	22nd Apr.	23rd Apr.	Amoy
Tjikembang	Amoy	28th Apr.	29th Apr.	Batavia
Tjisondari	Java	30th Apr.	3rd May	Shanghai
Tjikini	N. China	8th May	10th May	M'ksar & Java
Tjikarang	Java, M'csr	10th May	12th May	Amoy, N. China
Tjikembang	Batavia	15th May	18th May	Shanghai
Tjisalak	Shanghai	18th May	19th May	Batavia
Tjisaroea	Java, M'csr	24th May	26th May	Amoy, N. China
Tjikarang	Batavia	29th May	2nd June	Shanghai
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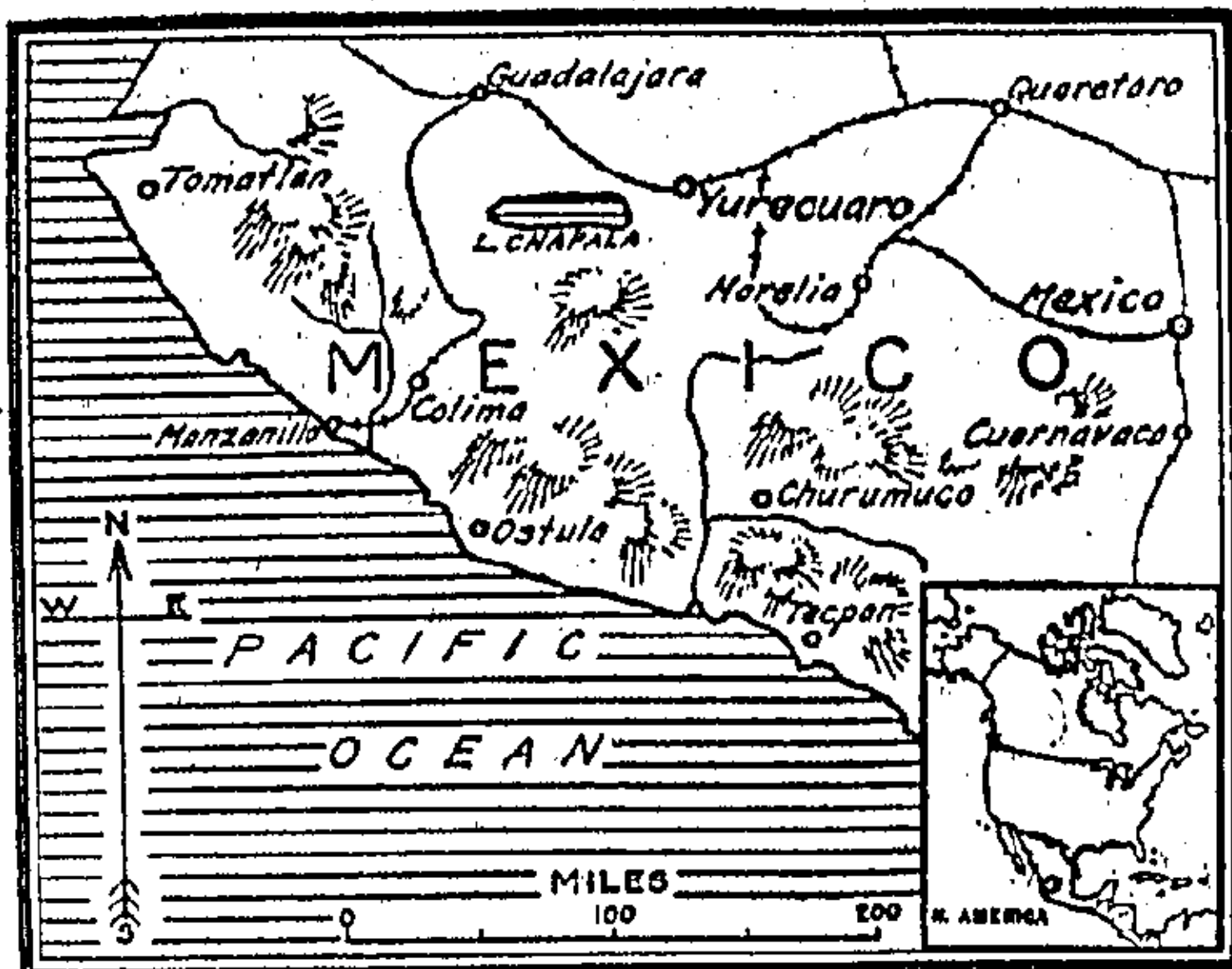
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MEXICAN BANDIT OUTRAGE.



The above map shows the railway line between Manzanillo and Guadalajara, on which, as reported in a news cable published elsewhere in this issue, Mexican bandits have committed a dreadful outrage on a trainload of passengers, slaughtering nearly 190 persons altogether.

MR. CHEN ARGUES.

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policy of the Nationalist Government. The proper authorities of the Nationalist Army of course will be instructed to give not only a written undertaking in this sense but to see that effective measures are taken to afford proper protection of foreign lives and property.

The Nationalist Government, however, would be lacking in candour if it failed to regard and emphasize that the best guarantee for the effective protection of American and other foreign lives and property lies in the removal of the fundamental cause of the present trouble between Nationalist China and the Powers, who continue to sustain the unequal treaties.

It is these unequal treaties which constitute the chief danger to foreign lives and property in China; and the danger will persist as long as effective government is rendered difficult by foreign insistence on a condition which at once is a humiliation and menace to a Nation which has known greatness and to-day is conscious of a renewal of strength.

The Nationalist Government is accordingly prepared and is ready to appoint delegates to negotiate with the delegates of the United States for a satisfactory settlement of the issues and differences pending between Nationalist China and the United States on terms which assure the legitimate interests of both countries and reciprocity in their relations. Canton Gazette.

MORE BRITISH UNITS LEAVE.

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more than 300,000 troops immediately available. The new government desires the friendship of all countries but insists on the abrogation of unequal treaties. Reuter.

DELEGATES TO CANTON.

Arrested at Tokyo.

Tokyo, April 20.

Considerable excitement was caused yesterday evening when the police unexpectedly arrested the Japanese delegates to the Pacific Labour Conference at Canton, just as the train was leaving the station.

Large crowds of workers who were seeing the delegates off demonstrated when the arrests were made, and as a result the police took more people into custody.

It is understood that ex-Premier Wakatsuki had approved of the delegates' participation in the Conference. Consequently, the sudden action of the police is apparently due to the change of Cabinet. Reuter.

HUGE "RED" ARMY.

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drunken and exceedingly ignorant, and everyone is too absorbed in the struggle for existence to pay much attention to politics.

"The ignorance and misunderstanding of the Western world, even among educated Communists and the old intelligentsia, who were brought up as patriots and have not forgotten Anglo-Russian rivalries, is incredible.

"Their attitude is often a queer mixture of persecutionmania and megalomania.

"They are under the delusion that every diplomatic conference meets to discuss them; they do not realize how far they have dropped out of European society."

"CALLED ON DEATH."

SIX MONTHS FOR FORGED NOTES.

The man who was arrested on March 7 when leaving the Sai On with \$4,990 worth of Hongkong Bank notes on him, was again brought up this morning before Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

A Chinese revenue officer said that he was on search duty when the Sai On came alongside the wharf. He noticed among the passengers a man who looked furtively around, and stopped the man, who at the time was carrying an umbrella in one hand and a small parcel in the other.

Witness opened the parcel and found that it contained nothing but two tins of tea. He prised open the lid of one tin and noticed some tea leaf. He then dug his finger into the tea and felt something hard. At this moment the defendant "called on Death to help him." This increased the officer's suspicion, and he poured out the contents of the tin and found the notes. Revenue Officer Ward, who came along at this time, was told what had happened, and the owner of the notes was taken to the police station.

Revenue Officer Ward corroborated the story. Mr. Lindsell asked him whether he was quite certain that the man had called upon Death to visit him before the notes were discovered, and he said that from what he saw he felt certain that that was so. The man also grovelled on the ground after the notes were discovered, and called loudly for Death to relieve him.

Mr. J. B. Milne, an assistant of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, said that he had examined 499 banknotes of \$10 each, and they were forgeries of the notes issued by his bank.

Good Forgeries.

Mr. Lindsell: Better ones than usual?

Witness: Yes, they have got the right signatures for the right series. By a strange coincidence, only on the notes which are signed with my name they have slipped out.

Mr. Lindsell: You have no idea where these might have been made. . . . No.

Witness added that he was asked to say that when the case was over the Bank would like the notes back, to have them destroyed. His Worship informed the witness that an order will be made for the police to confiscate and destroy the notes in due course.

Sub-Inspector Lane said that on the instructions of Mr. T. H. King, D.S.P., he filled one of the tea tins with tea leaf and found it to weigh a little over 1 lb. and 9 ounces, while the same tin filled with half the notes weighed 2 lbs. 10 ounces, a difference of well over a pound.

Another Man.

Defendant made a statement in the police station when arrested, to the effect that he was asked by a man who was travelling on the same boat to take two tins ashore for him.

Mr. Lindsell: Can you explain why it was necessary for him to ask you to carry such a small parcel.

Defendant did not reply, whereupon his Worship added: If you cannot explain you will have to go to jail.

Defendant then said that the man must have had guilty knowledge. The arrangement was for the defendant to meet this unknown man at the door of the Tung Fong boarding house.

Mr. Lindsell: That's extraordinary, why did you not tell that to the police? They would have taken you to find the man at once.

Defendant: I told that to the police the next morning.

Mr. Lindsell: It was too late then. If you were so innocent, you would have told them at once.

Defendant was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

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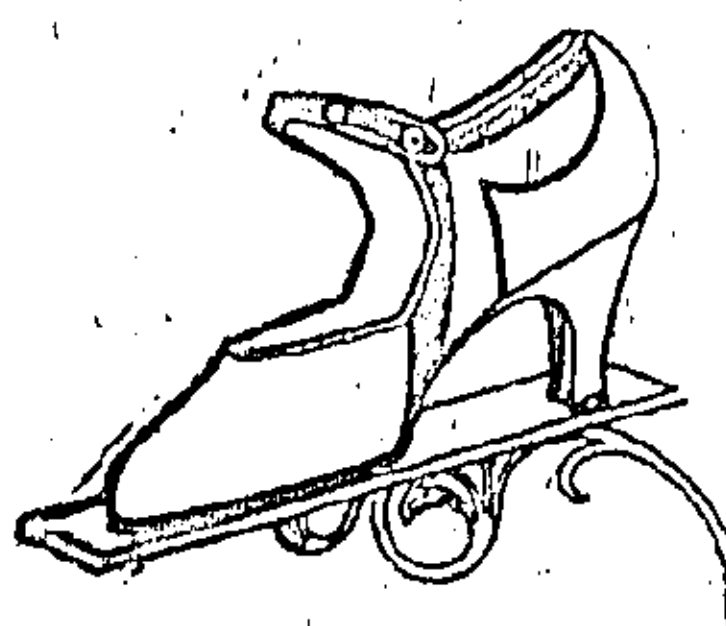
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